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When Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau took his son Michel to see an Arctic oil rig last week, the symbolism was not lost on Canadians at a new pitch in the oil-price war. **Page 10**

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West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt looks set to ramp things in Sunday's poll. But his rough-and-ready rival Franz Josef Strauss goes prowling on **Page 10**

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### Blood feed in the Gulf

It was billed as an ancient quarrel, but the twinning that joined Iraq's Saddam forces against the endogeneity-maintained legacy of the shirk's military might owed more to the military genius of the 18th-century Prussian strategist von Clausewitz — and a desire to keep either of the two superpowers from using Iran's current weakness as a means of pulling a new warlock on neighboring Arab subjects.

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### Dressing as uniforms

Registration in dress has been unpopular for years, but now the reg trade is invading white-collar industries with uniforms. Employees seem to like it. **Page 32**

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Thanks, you

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## Heresy time on holy ground

By David Thomas



In the casual riding of Louisbrière last week, Parti Québécois supporters picked through the political shibboleth in a search for new Bliché candidates. They wanted one to run for their governing party and another to stand, as a maverick spoiler, for the Union Nationale, whose revival in 1998 diverted enough federalist votes from the Liberals to permit the PQ to slip between them to power. Since then, the Union Nationale's entire Louisbrière riding contingent has slunked quietly over to the PQ, with Rodrigue Biron, the party's former leader and now independent member for Louisbrière in the National Assembly, proud to follow. Although the provincial election is more likely to come next spring than this fall, both the PQ and the opposition National party are sharpening their holy grounds of principle to lead more marketable real estate.



Biron: Parti's choice remains a maverick

In the dying days of summer, the PQ's solemn confab of midweek presidents and the national executive became born-again federalists, voting with wary protest to bury the sacred roses tablets riched with the creed of sovereignty-association. Premier Bérubé's proposal was thus authorized to proceed as an election that the whole question of independence will be set aside by a re-elected PQ, the apostate heretic

became an importer of labor. Here, we may ask, did Bérubé solve this grave problem? According to many known facts, he did it by taking control of credit.

In another of his nostalgic reveries, this one to the Second World War, Bérubé managed to assume certain Jewish sentiments—by abortion—against the Quebec people. Attacking government tolerance of abortion, Bérubé reminded a National Assembly session in 1976 that "our fellow citizens of Quebec must to make war in Germany to try to prevent the destruction of a part of the German population of Jewish origin because there were very good humanitarian reasons to defend those people. It was the conscience of the century, the destruction of a people. But 19 years later, by means perhaps different from repression, we are attempting the destruction of the Quebec people. Strangely coincident among the armaments of this destruction we find people of the same nationality as those we tried to save by making the laws of our own people." At the time, Jewish abortionist Dr. Henry Morgentaler was before the courts, and Montreal's Jewish and medical communities were offended Bérubé's defense. "It never said anything about doctors." This is also the man who, in a 1978 pamphlet, advocated the abolition of Quebec's English-language school system, and who, despite Bérubé's insistence on the importance of a good representation of the feminine element in the party's team of candidates, once wrote that women should stay in the home.

But the apparent divergence in the plans of the "sovereign element" seems minor when Bérubé is measured against Ryan's other standards for candidates. Since Ryan questioned his experience, the former Social Credit's perception of Bérubé's economic, arms and taxpayer beliefs must conform somehow to the Liberal leader's assertions. "We should move by all reasonable means that those called to represent the party in elections be persons of good physical, psychological and moral health." Even more intriguing, in view of his stated positions, is how Bérubé manages to satisfy the Ryan criterion that candidates have "good intellectual formation." One might wonder, as well, whether he meets the requirement that they be "religiously observant," given that Bérubé shifted to the Liberals Sept. 3, but has not officially rejoined the National Assembly administration, thereby keeping his official status as a party leader—and the added benefits that go with it.

Nothing in Ryan's selection standards suggest that electoral gain be sufficient reason to mount such concerns, yet it is difficult to discount Bérubé's appeal to poorly educated voters of his own ilk as an explanation. Ryan's choice of Bérubé remains an enigma, and voters can only go by his warning of a year ago that the party's choice of candidates "will demonstrate the true spirit which motivates us."

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Capote power and keep it as long as possible." But the most remarkable snippets in the scandalous world of Quebec politics belong to Liberal leader Claude Ryan. Just a year ago, Ryan issued a stern set of selection criteria for his party's candidates. They had to be "manned and ethical" militants. Now Ryan has enthusiastically welcomed into his "renewed" party Social Credit's Claude Ryan, of whom Ryan himself wrote in *Le Devoir* four years ago "if it were not for his party, it would be necessary to wish his elimination as an elected member." Bérubé is a forthright warrior who cannot be dismissed, because of the danger of his language. The only surviving Social Credit in the National Assembly, Bérubé is a 65-year-old high-school dropout who calls himself a "professional vocal researcher," but in fact he spent most of his working life in the parts department of a Koyne car dealership. He is also a bit of a writer, publishing his collected thoughts as pamphlets produced by New Order Publications—the name borrowed from France's post-war nationalist party. In one, *La Phénix de Saint* (The Last Phoenix), published in 1993, Ryan's new friend found cause to praise Adolf Hitler: "When Hitler took power in Germany, in May, 1934, unemployment was rampant there as it was everywhere in the world. Nevertheless, by the autumn of 1934, unemployment no longer existed and the country even

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# Stereotypes aren't for real

*'German-Canadians continue to suffer from discrimination'*

By Russell Doern



I am 44 years old, a member of a German-Canadian family, and ever since I can remember I have been subjected to Second World War propaganda that convinced me in the fall of 1939 and ever thereafter into the 1980s I wonder whether my seven-year-old daughter will have to endure the same anti-German sentiments? I wonder if I will ever stop?

Being German-Canadian means being subject to an endless outpouring of German propaganda, jokes, cartoon books, movies and TV shows. It means listening to people who cannot or will not distinguish between the German nation and the Nazi party. It means that some

people want you to say that you're sorry for a war that you neither started nor supported. As a third-generation Canadian with roots stretching back to 1891, I do not feel responsible for the sins of the National Socialists. Three of my uncles fought the Nazis and, as a social democrat I despise and oppose the extremists of the political right. I, too, am angered, saddened and horrified by the terrible crimes committed by the Nazis—which the world must never forget.

I was not physically harmed during the war years, but some of my relatives were not as fortunate. On one occasion during the First World War my grandparents were walking along a dirt road in northern Manitoba when their children, when they were almost two years old, were shot down by a car full of people who were angry at them because of their German blood. As an 11-year-old in 1930, my Aunt Martha was slapped around by her Winnipeg teacher because "the Germans had started the war." Real, my cousin's husband, was 12 years old in 1940 when he and some friends were marching around the school's flagpole singing patriotic songs. Suddenly the teacher grabbed him out of the circle, shook him and screamed "You damn German! You have no right to sing those songs!" As soon as the teacher left, some big boys knocked him down and looked him in the ribs, stomach, back and head. "It would've been useless to protest," he said. "They would've burned down our house."

The manner in which Germans are portrayed in films and on television has always infuriated me. Germans are depicted only as evil or idiotic Nazis whether in the soft-core film *Das Boot*, the *Wolf of the Steppes* or TV's *Wagon Train*. In the book *Das Boot* from director, a group of Nazis living in South America attempt to close another Adolf. In the latest Second World War film, *The Big Red One*, a band of young Americans kill off German professional soldiers

like this on a hot summer day. Any book with a swastika on the cover has a good chance of becoming a best seller.

Yet the true genius of the German people has been given to the world through such men as Luther, Goethe, Bach, Beethoven, Kant, Hegel and others. More recent contributions have been made by Nobel Prize-winners Heinrich Heine, Hermann Hesse, Werner Fassbinder (physiology and medicine) and Manfred Eigen (chemistry), theologists Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Martin Niemöller and Rudolf Bultmann, philosophers Martin Heidegger and Karl Jaspers, composers Paul Hindemith and Carl Orff and writers Günter Grass, Ralf Hübner and Bertolt Brecht.

It is, therefore, deplorable that the stereotypes which are offensive and degrading are continued 50 years after the war. Canadians of German descent are deeply ashamed and hurt by the books and the films, especially since many of them fought in the Second World War. I could provide a list of members of my family and others of German descent who fought in the Canadian Army. And I could draw up another list of those who explained their names or passed themselves off as Austrians or Dutch because of wartime pressures.

During the Second World War, Canadians made up the Russians to be their allies and fought against the Germans, Japanese and Italians. Today our allies are the Germans, Japanese and Italians, while the Russians are the potential enemy. As members of NATO, Canadian troops are stationed in West Germany and German soldiers practice maneuvers in Sicily, West Germany and elsewhere.

in Canada's fourth-largest trade partner with about \$1.4 billion in exports and imports last year.

Our last federal census indicated that 1,317,960 Canadians, or six per cent of the population, are of German descent. German-Canadians must stand proud as an intelligent, industrious and sensitive people who have made a significant contribution to Canadian society since the first Germans came here 327 years ago. Only then will our history be placed in proper perspective. To do otherwise is to fall victim to the prejudice, ignorance and spite of those who turn all German-Canadians into Nazis and make a version of history that extends wartime propaganda.

German-Canadians continue to suffer from discrimination. I appeal to my fellow Canadians: treat your German-Canadian neighbours fairly, let your "volksnachbar" or even, of life, embrace all Canadians of whatever origin. It's a matter of fundamental human rights. As for myself, I am a German-Canadian—proud of my family, my country, my province and my city.

A former teacher, Russell Doern is the member of the Manitoba legislature for the Winnipeg riding of Elmwood.



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## Gambling for potatoes



By David Folster

Rain has fallen over the New Brunswick potato belt, stopping the annual harvest in its muddy tracks. In farmyards and storage sheds, men sizzle with equipment or risk potatoes while they wait impatiently for the sun to dry the fields. But not Everett Colbourne. Toting a small wood-burned stove past the Trans-Canada Highway at Waterville, 130 km north of Fredericton, he no longer shares his neighbors' preoccupation with getting the crop in. Three years ago he and his five sons sold their last potato. With his farms and 350 acres, they were among the area's largest growers. But "we were getting back about half our costs. We looked the situation over and decided to get out." They sold their machinery and much of the land and paid their bills. "We were lucky. We don't owe anybody," still, there are vestiges of regret. At 54, Colbourne, bald and white-headed, would "like to be

harvesting yet, and I would be if I could make a living at it."

The lament is familiar in almost any Canadian farm community, but especially in New Brunswick's potato belt, a green and undulating tract stretching about 160 km along the St. John River from Woodstock to Saint-Leonard. The area is as diverse as it is large, encompassing French-Canadian farmers to the north, Dutch and Scottish descendants in its midsection, and God-fearing Anglos in the south. The great allure is the potato. For all its basic nutritional value, it has always exacted a heavy toll among those who grow it. The life is a gambling one characterized by unpredictable markets and unpredictable weather. When a potato farmer sows his crop in the spring, he has no idea what size it will be, or what price it could bring, in the fall. Little wonder then that when the harvest season finally arrives, as it has now, an atmosphere of feverish activity descends on the region, and few of the 46,000 people

who live there aren't touched by it.

Harvest days begin in the predawn hours and last until well after dark. Autumn colors burn in the hardwood groves behind the fields; the air is clear and crisp. In the old days, harvest time was the stuff of a John Steinbeck novel: hordes of migrant workers arrived from Quebec, Nova Scotia, and other parts of New Brunswick, were put up in bunkhouses and hand-picked the crop. Today much of it is gathered by mechanical harvesters, great churning machines that either suck up the potatoes vacuum-cleaner-style or churn them into a conveyor where they are separated from the rocks to hand.

The machines cost \$25,000 to \$40,000, and at that price there are, understandably, holdouts for the old method. "The harvesters are big, heavy and expensive, and they don't speed things up any," says Clarence Hunter of Riverbank, near Florenceville. A farmer for 34 years, Hunter has hired 30 pickers this fall, most of them school kids for whom classes started in August and shut down Sept. 18 for three weeks. Arrived with labour-made potato baskets, the pickers crawl across a potato field like ants, each filling an average of 40 barrels a day, though some regularly top 100 barrels. At a pay rate of 16 cents per barrel, Hunter estimates the mere harvesting of his 20,000-barrel-crop jumps \$30,000 into the local economy.

Had he listened to his wife last spring, Hunter might not be making

Harvesting as in the old days (above): Colbourne, a time of feverish activity



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McIntosh (above left), Hunter: what the industry needs most of all is stability

that contribution. After three straight years of low prices, Jean Hunter was all for quitting. "I was very strong," she says. "I didn't see how we'd carry on." At one point last winter the Hunters sold potatoes for \$2.68 a barrel and "no one in this valley can grow potatoes for that." But in mid-September the price was in the \$6 range (it had been \$4.5 in late July), and the Hunters are happy they stayed in one more year.

This fall's promising prices are partly due to a general drop in U.S. and Canadian potato storages in recent years. But every silver lining has its cloud: if good prices are sustained through the winter, then a risk farmers will rush into their fields next spring and plant more potatoes than ever. The probable result would be a return to depressed prices. For years governments have talked about taking the vulnerability out of the industry, perhaps by setting prices and supply quotas, but with a breed as independent and inherently suspicious of government as the potato farmer, the task isn't easy. Early last week the National Farm Products Marketing Council held hearings in Eastern Canada on a proposal to establish a regional potato marketing council. Not surprisingly, opponents on the concept are as varied as potatoes themselves, and no consensus is looming on the serious horizon.

In an office directly across the St. John River from the sprawling McIntosh Foods processing complex at Florenceville sits Joe Driedowski, a would-be lawyer who has interrupted his studies to work for the New Brunswick Potato Agency. The office has a couple of ap-



propriate trappings: a plant with a big potato barrel, and a sign above a secretary's desk proclaims POTATO EATERS LOVE LUNCH. Part of Driedowski's job is to promote, if not the growers' reducing quotas of spuds, at least the idea of eating them. But, more important, he also is charged with regulating their marketing: he admits to only "marginal" success—price-cutting among growers remains a problem—but he insists stability is still what the industry needs most. That and marketing help.

Not many years ago a diner ordering a baked potato in a restaurant in Fredericton was presented with, amazingly, a foil-wrapped Idaho baked. The experience symbolizes the pervasive competition New Brunswick farmers face, not only from Idaho and the traditional Canadian potato-growing areas, Prince Edward Island, but from Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta and Washington state, too, all of which have lately expanded their potato acreages. Still, despite the onetime pre-eminence of neighbouring Maine as a co-producer of good potatoes, Dziadosz believes New Brunswick

can find profitable new markets of its own in New England and New York. "Basically we have to produce the right quality and be aggressive in the marketplace," Marketing assumes is something McCain Foods has never lacked, and 60 per cent of New Brunswick's potato crop will soon be processed into products like french-fries and chips. The remainder goes for seed and table potatoes. McCain gets part of its potato supply from farmers who sign contracts before spring planting to deliver a specified quantity at a specified price. Supporters

of "contracting" say it removes some of the uncertainty from the marketplace, "which it does, but other farmers complain the McCain price isn't high enough. And, of course, in years when prices on the open market suddenly soar—it happens occasionally—farmers who are locked into a contract at a fixed price squander over missing out on the Big Payoff."

The past few years have been rough on the potato-takers. While market prices sometimes dipped to \$2 a barrel, costs for fuel, fertilizer and spray materials went the other way. Some farmers like Everett Collieron decided themselves to pack it in; the banks decided for others. For Jack Melrose, whose farm is within sight of the McCain complex, it has meant contracting a portion of his 300-acre crop for the first time in 20 years of farming. Pacing in his well-tended, flower-filled yard where he has returned to repair a broken-down harrower, Melrose explains the arithmetic: "We sold nearly all of our crop last year for \$2 less than the contract price. We had to do something to guarantee us money to pay bills with."

Still, as the days shorten and the annual race against heavy frost intensifies, there's little time to dwell on setbacks like this. The challenge is to get the crop in between mid-September and the end of October, harvesters and pickers will rake over 52,000 acres and gather in nearly 11 billion pounds of potatoes. The days may start with the Potato Pickers' Spectacular, a potpourri of harvest information aired on radio and television from Wake in Proulx Isle, Me. For some, the days won't end until the harvester lights are switched off liberty before midnight. Meanwhile, the talk in the towns and villages and country stores is all about the weather—and potatoes, potatoes, potatoes. Later will come the anxious watching of the market. "Things look real good right now," says Jack Melrose. "This year is going to help a lot of farmers."

Driving through the potato belt, it's possible to miss much of the financial drama underlying the freestone harvest. Many of the houses and farm buildings are large, white and affluently-looking. The distinct purplish tints give a benign cast to the scene. But a stop in a country store, even the tiny one in Lakesville, quickly sets the record straight. "You can see it right in here," says the woman behind the counter. "Things really pick up when they get a little money in their pockets." She says she wishes the schools would stay open to accommodate younger children; their mothers would help with the harvest too. But her own concern is the farmers. "I don't want anybody to get rich. But it'd be nice if they made enough to keep going." ☐

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## Q&A: Arthur Porter

## The man on the hot seat in the nuclear debate



Dr. Arthur Porter

*"Unless something serious is done, we're had it"*

Last spring, after an investment of five years and \$5 million, the Ontario Royal Commission on Electric Power Planning issued its final report—a masterfully detailed size-industry assessment of Ontario Hydro and its role in that province's energy future. The commission chairman was Arthur Porter, a pragmatic and grandfatherly professor emeritus of industrial engineering from the University of Toronto. If his final report had a major flaw, it was that it tried to please everyone, especially on the nuclear issue. As a result, both sides claimed they were vindicated by the report. Advocates of nuclear power pointed to Porter's conclusion that "CANOE reactors are a significant reasonable benefit," while critics noted that Ontario Hydro's plans for nuclear expansion had been ordered to a virtual standstill—because the increased capacity wasn't needed. The report left the debate silent at best, an inconclusive and fairly argued an error.

Recently, however, the balance has begun to shift. Statements made by Porter in the national media last month surprised many observers, since they indicated that he has, in the past few months, become an explicit advocate of nuclear expansion. During this interview conducted for *Nuclear*, Porter was asked for his views on Ontario's energy resources that, he says, "shook me to the core."

Porter was interviewed by Paul McKay, environmental researcher for the nonprofit Ontario Public Interest Research Group and outspoken nuclear critic.

**McKay:** In a recent interview that made national headlines, you described nuclear energy as having a minimal effect on world ecology. However, your royal commission reports emphasized that any future nuclear expansion be restricted on solving the problem of undesirable contamination caused by uranium mine wastes. Are you concerned now that the uranium waste problem has been solved?

**Porter:** No, I'm not. But I'm convinced that it will be solved. There's enough worldwide effort going into the solution of that problem. Uranium mine wastes are the most serious outstanding problem in the nuclear fuel cycle. That's all well understood. And I certainly haven't said that the problem has been solved. I believe it will be solved within the next 10 years. There's a new federal task force that has been set up to examine the problem. And I just feel that, while in the past we have been negligent, unrealistic of these wastes is going to be a resolvable problem. I just mean it—I don't have any doubts. But after all, I am an industrial engineer. This issue,



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however, is the aspect our committee spent the most time on.

**Maclean's:** When asked about the re-entry waste problem, you were quoted as saying recently "If King Tut's tomb could have been stored for 3,000 years without being disrupted, then we certainly can store nuclear wastes." Isn't this a rather reckless statement, in view of the fact that this spring your *Weekend* report called for a moratorium on any further nuclear expansion if the high-level waste problem has no clear solution within 10 years?

**Porter:** The reference to King Tut's tomb was a rather flippant statement, of course. Since my report was issued, some new findings have come to light—not least in connection with the French program, where they have demonstrated the effectiveness of sealing existing nuclear wastes within a deep site of high-level wastes. So I'm really optimistic. On the other hand, I felt that the public had to be reassured that real action was in process. The key thrust of the moratorium statement was to say to the government and industry: "Look, you'd better get on with this job. The public wants some answers."

**Maclean's:** Yet Canada's nuclear waste disposal program has come under strong criticism recently from the Canadian Government Council, the first independent body of scientists to evaluate the federal waste management program. In testimony before the Ontario Select Committee on *Radioactive Waste* they described a dismal record of cost-cutting, and said the program was stored in proper funding. Their testimony, and even your own report, seemed to argue for delaying the nuclear option until the radioactive waste problem has a clear solution. Have you changed your mind?

**Porter:** We did not suggest deferring the nuclear option. We just said that by 1990 maybe the nuclear option should be reconsidered in light of information at that time. And quite frankly, I've never heard of the Canadian Government Council. [The national body that represents earth scientists such as geophysicists who have studied the federal nuclear waste management program.] Our *Interim Report* allowed three additional nuclear stations in Ontario by the year 2000—our final report says the moratorium should be one after the Orlingston station is completed (near Toronto). So there has been a change. But certainly I never said, as was reported in *The Globe and Mail*, that we should build larger numbers of nuclear stations across Ontario and Canada. What I said was that perhaps one nuclear station dedicated to export electricity should be built in Ontario.

**Maclean's:** You were quoted as saying nuclear plants should be built immediately, is the aspect our committee spent the most time on.



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study in Canada to release the U.S. from the massive amount of oil it uses. "In light of the recent Energy Board report of the Harvard Business School, which confirmed that the U.S. wastes 30 to 35 per cent of its energy, isn't that like treating a heroin addict who's not even simply maintaining the addiction? Surely the point is that the U.S. must kick its own 'habit' by learning to conserve."

**Porter:** That's a very good question. I believe the U.S. is learning to conserve—they're out their oil consumption by 18 per cent in one year. The conservation ethic, I agree, is going to make a marked impact here so the U.S. is going to consume oil to generate elec-

tricity, for instance, caused by the Three Mile Island accident. So it's a factor of this kind that has changed quite a bit since the final report was written.

**Maclean's:** Do you think the public will stand for nuclear plants being built in Ontario to replace electricity lost from a nuclear accident in Pennsylvania?

**Porter:** I don't know. That's a rhetorical question. I don't know whether they will stand for it, but very clearly, if we look at this world in 40 to 50 years and see the existing and threats to the world's life-support systems, then pretty little problems of that kind are not going to carry very much weight. The key thing is to pull together. I am thinking



Three Mile Island: it's within reach

on a global scale, and I recognise that unless something serious is done we've had it. Within 50 years.

**Maclean's:** You recently said you were "bored" of the central role nuclear energy must play in the world's—and Canada's—future. "Yet, in your final report you refused to endorse nuclear electricity as a substitute for oil heating in houses, for economic and energy-efficiency reasons. Why the switch?"

**Porter:** There has been no switch. Electric space heating was advocated in our report only as a hybrid method. The consensus suggested that using electricity in low-demand hours of the day, and oil heating during peak demand, would be the optimum arrangement.

**Maclean's:** So if your position that the expansion of nuclear power can be justified as a substitute for home heating is off?

**Porter:** Absolutely. Even on an economic basis, let alone an environmental basis.

**Maclean's:** It has long been assumed that

Ontario has exhausted its hydroelectric generating capacity. In fact, think, its total untapped potential is about 11,000 peak megawatts. By contrast, the Pickering station generates 2,600 megawatts. Wouldn't pursuing this potential be a cheaper, more energy-efficient route to follow than nuclear power?

**Porter:** I don't believe that. Fourteen thousand additional megawatts?

**Maclean's:** I have the *Frederator* Ontario Hydro report right here. It includes small-scale hydro, large-scale hydro and pumped storage capacity.

**Porter:** Looking at report... This speaks me to the core. Fourteen thousand megawatts, including pumped storage. Do you know, I never saw this report? It's quite specific. I'm fascinated. This is just incredible information... There are environmental things I'm very concerned about [regarding hydro power]—essentially the social impact on native peoples. But I advocate this to the nth degree. I would go down fighting in support of hydroelectric power.

**Maclean's:** Do you find it shocking that a report of this magnitude wasn't submitted to the royal commission?

**Porter:** Well, let's put it this way. I'm surprised it wasn't handed over. There's no question it came through loud and clear—that we were extremely interested in hydroelectric power.

**Maclean's:** The *Globe and Mail* article referred to the numerous you expressed about the environmental effects of acid rain—the threat it represents to numerous biological species. Yet Ontario Hydro's coal generating stations continue to be the second-most source of acid rain pollution in the province and your commission specifically mentioned support for the installation of such pollution scrubbers on one of the plants.

**Porter:** Yes. The point we made was that if Ontario burns efficiently low sulphur coal, and meets the ministry of environment standards, then we did not see the case for "scrubbers." The environment that most of the acid rain damage comes from the United States.

**Maclean's:** I don't think there's much question that about 30 per cent of it comes from the U.S. Still, Ontario Hydro stations are responsible for about 25 per cent so it's difficult to see.

**Porter:** But again, this is very difficult. The issue information is not there at the present time, really. It's like this problem of cancer and smoking. It's extremely difficult to isolate the cause.

**Maclean's:** Finally, Mr. Porter, nuclear energy provides about two per cent of Canada's total energy needs. What percentage do you think it can realistically provide by the year 2000?

**Porter:** That's a very good question. A very good question. To estimate, I would think three per cent. ☐

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In your article *Chances One Day, Futhers the Next* (This Canada, Sept. 1), rodeos are presented to your readers as spectacles of brave cowboys demonstrating their skill and courage, but they are, to my mind, actually spectacles of cruelty, suffering and violence inflicted on animals. Before the animals used in rodeos are forced into the chute from which they enter the arena, they are seen standing quietly in the pens. They are not wild, they are domesticated. In my opinion, rodeos are neither entertainment nor sport.

MAURICE LALAN, THE PEDD FOR ANIMALS INC, TORONTO

By all means "let the public in on the subtleties of rodeo." I suggest the media focus sharply on the use of the backing strap that torments both horses and bulls into bucking. Certainly some footage should be devoted to a telescopic shot on the use of electric prods at the chute. Call-calling should really be shown in slow motion. One can then appreciate the pain suffered by the calf who is running at a speed of some 40 km, brought to a painful, neck-pulling stop by a snare around its neck and then slammed to the ground by the cowboy. Please, for now, keep the rodeo in the West. We're doing our level best to keep it from spreading in the East.

FRANK A. JENSEN, WINNIPEG, ONT

## Price on his head

If Canadian meteorologists wish to doff their helmets in defence of government's mandatory helmet laws, they should certainly be allowed to do so. LA



Rodeology in action: neck-pulling spectacles of cruelty, suffering and violence

*Tip of the Hat to Death*, Canada, Aug. 25). However, when they have an accident that causes head injury and subsequent complications, they should not expect "Big Brother" to foot the bill for hospital and post-medical care. I will be my brother's keeper as long as my brother co-operates to some degree. But when my brother fights or declines my help, then he must face the consequences alone.

JOHN J. BLOMBERG, WOODBURY, ONT

## A national nobody

There are times when your claim to being a national newsmagazine seems rather spurious. The cover story *Where Is Fred Johnson?* (Aug. 25) is a case in point. This event was hardly of national importance when it took place a year ago, let alone now. And the story you did was only a rehash of what has appeared sporadically in local newspapers since that time.

JAMES W. BODDERS, TORONTO

## Satisfaction not guaranteed

Allen Fotheringham in his column *All That Bosh Leaving* had *Shit in My Father's Shoes* (Sept. 15), against the acquiescent powers of the Lord Thomson, *Shit or piss, readers*. "Why does anyone need so much?" What is the satisfaction, really? Overkill? Dred? I asked that question of Ray Thomson in an interview some years ago. His response was "If you're a dentist, say, or a philosopher, the reward for extraordinary excellence is a Nobel Prize. If you are a writer, the tribute to your extraordinary talent is a Pulitzer Prize. The accolade for a businessman is the accumulation of wealth. He may not care about money and he can't possibly spend what he accumulates, but it is his ultimate accolade, the testimonial that he is the best among his peers." I add no comment on the merit of spending one's life seeking such a test result. I simply pass it on by way of a response to Fotheringham's nagged nagging.

CHARLES TEMPLETON, TORONTO

## Same game, different name

In industrial Europe "guest workers" are reported to fill the jobs when the boom is on. When the boom is over, unemployment is kept down by sending the guest workers home (*Return That and Kissing Back*, *Business*, Aug. 25). In the United States jobs are exported by establishing branch plants in Canada when the boom is on. When the boom is over, American unemployment is kept down by closing the branch plants. No guest workers in send home, save they are already there.

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## Offence taken

Why does MacVicar continue to allow Barbara Aronof to use his pages for anti-homosexual propaganda? (The Politics of Prostitution—*Denuding the Sexual Mystery*, *Culture*, Aug. 14.) Her latest ycleps crown is all. At the conclusion of an otherwise-reasonable article on prostitution, Aronof suggests that the inclusion of a provision in the Human Rights Act outlawing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation would only encourage pornography. (Yes, pornography.) May I point out to her that the Cana-

dian Human Rights Commission has been pushing for such a change in the federal Human Rights Act for several years. Moreover, Quebec's Human Rights Charter has contained such a provision since 1977. To be blunt, Aronof's attacks on homosexual Canadians are misguided, ignorant and prejudiced. And MacVicar should be ashamed for publishing her diatribes, which belong to the tradition of yellow journalism. They are not the sort of thing one expects in a magazine with a reputation for fairness and a sense of justice.

STEFEN SPENCER, MONTREAL

## A TV set-to

Bill MacVicar recognizes the intensity of the current battle in his place *Scrooged* (Cover, Aug. 30). But while he reflects, as all generals are inclined to reflect upon misadventures, he is wrong to imply that educational television has been noncompetitive. Since 1973, TVOntario's audience has grown by about 30 per cent per year. It even grew in that dark year of 1977 when others went down. Dismissing MacVicar's contention that "the electronic equivalent should guarantee that video entertainment is taken out of the hands of the market researchers..." our success has to do with careful market research. We have identified the audiences to whom we may "market" our programs. And, today, these audiences collectively put our weekly circulation in Ontario at about 1.7 million. This isn't wildlife and talking heads!

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## Publicity seekers

I am certain that members of the Big Party scene would find consolation in the remarks of Charles Costello and Deputy Chief George Agnew in your article *Getting Together for Ever and Destruction* (Behavior, Aug. 13). These points want publicity and for anyone to contend that this violent behavior is something society must endure "until the young grow up and find their own place in society" is merely to encourage more of the same damage. For every punk there are 10 or more decent law-abiding adolescents who will not need our tax dollars to repair the results of their parties but who, on reaching maturity, will fit into our society and contribute positively to our culture. And what will their reward be for remaining respectable? Total anonymity. If these *no-ride-with* received some of the same violence they dish out, they'd soon settle down. I suggest a few ticks with the cut-e'-nose rule.

A. C. L. HUGHES,  
VANCOUVER

## Mistaken identity

The photograph in your article on Canada's defence policy, *The Stars in the Galaxy* (Behavior, Aug. 18), was not of the cockpit of an F-16 fighter plane. The F-16 is not a side-by-side fighter with enough headroom for dad and a family of four.

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**Profile: Ian Waddell**

## Giant-killer in the NDP's fold of young fighters

By Thomas Hodgins

In the middle of the rattling traffic, rain-wet chicken stands and cool air flow of Vancouver's working-class Kitsilano neighborhood is the curving front avenue of the venerable Kim Hall, long owned by the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF) and its

successors, the New Democratic Party (NDP). The hall has crumbled for decades with the scars of socialist heresies from Coldwell to Maclean. Inside, mustard-colored walls bristle with glass encrusted on the stoops, and floors less drunkenly turled away in the front, however, is a stylish sanctuary, a cedar and glass room that is the constituency office for Vancouver-Kitsilano MP Ian Waddell. It's a suitably glaring contrast in styles, since Waddell represents a new breed of federal NDP politicians, elected since 1979 young, street-smart and media-savvy. Along with their boss, Kim Brundage, they own



Waddell's not impressed with Parliament Hill's old-boy's network.

space to the urban, action-oriented social democracy of Helmut Schmidt and Willy Brandt than to the emotional church-basement socialism of Tommy Douglas or Stanley Kwan.

Aside from fringe critic Bob Rae, 32, Waddell, 36, has emerged as the most visible of an NDP cadre club that includes B.C.'s Brent Robinson, 36, Jim Fallick, 35, and Montreal's Bill Blaikie, 38. Not unlike the group Waddell has a special nervousness, perhaps not unusual in light of previous careers which have been choppy, principled and as erratic as a mad fox. As energy critic in the past session of Parliament, he was most noticeable feuding with dumbass Energy Minister Marc Lalonde in a high Andy Hardy voice, edged with the rhetorical

gifts of the University of Toronto Hart House debates secretary he was. The sparring turned nasty in July when Waddell led a hijack of Parliament by Silhouette, having a three-day parliament in the summer recess in an attempt to gain a debate over the Liberal cabinet's controversial decision to allow construction of southern portions of the

\$30-billion Alaska Highway gas pipeline. The five-foot, six-inch MP, who was sometimes confused with a page before giving a full blast, hunched away for months. He argued, often alone, that allowing the so-called "pre-build," without American guarantees that the rest of the line would be built, changed the 1978 Northern Pipeline Act and couldn't be done without going back to Parliament. He is currently taking the federal government to court, privately, to drive home his point.

As a shie-linching maverick, this one is not surprising for Waddell who, along with many new MPs, is not overly impressed with the old-boy's network on Parliament Hill. Unlike other MPs, he chooses to break the

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network, often using that name of Ottawa commodities, human. He presented the Conservative government with a toy truck upon its announcement of the Peoples of Information Act, in recognition of the role of the loopholes in the legislation, and uttered his first words in Parliament from the dissent desk in which his name resonates him with the phrase, "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for recognizing me without borders."

Such plays are called "biting the dog," and were developed in the surreal atmosphere of B.C. politics by Waddell and campaign manager Ben Weidman, in order to his widespread media notice. In 1979 that Liberal-Kingston incumbent Simons Helt was inevitable. It holds that if he wants to make a point or deal with a complicated issue, the politicians must first "bite a dog." Then, when he has everybody's attention, he explains the issue. Waddell understands the process well. Far from being a barefoot kid from the regions, he has used his experience as a storefront lawyer in launching class-action suits and as counsel to the executive Berger inquiry into the effect of a pipeline on northern native peoples, to learn to recognize and feed the appetite of the media.

The learning has been self-taught, and informed with an almost frenetic en-



Waddell at play. "BARK" to the lead

ergy. His electrician father and waitress mother moved from Scotland to Canada when Waddell was 5. He grew up in the Jewish suburb of Richmond, winning "Lunch" Club public-speaking contests in high school and later running debates at the University of Toronto Law School recruiting, among others, a shy 17-year-old named Bob Rae. In 1968, he completed post-graduate work at the London School of Economics, submitting a thesis sporting the exotic title, "International Narcotics Control."

Moving to Vancouver, he became assistant city prosecutor. "I was naive. The courts and a year teaching at Western Tech in Toronto served to toughen me up." From 1972 to 1974, he earned his rocky job-jumping as head of a storefront lawyer service, making his reputation as a lawyer in a unique class-action suit against B.C. Hydro that won back some \$400,000 in security deposits for 14,800 low-income people.

A Liberal during the 1980s (at 19 he was a chauffeur for Lester Pearson), Waddell was drawn into the Stir on the West Coast. During the Barrett years in B.C. he served as government boards and commissions, and in 1994 Berger asked him to be counsel for his inquiry. "I remember walking into a room with Justice Berger at the beginning of the inquiry," he laughs. "It was stacked high with boxes of documents

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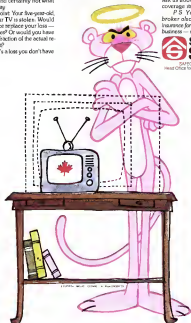
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and the only thing we could understand was the map of Canada." For the next two years he lived in Yellowknife, acting as the efficient, sometimes harsh boss man for the *slow learner*, and earning the name *BOSS* (as core) from local observers in tribute both to his size and his industrious energy. The North, he says, changed him. "As Justice Berger would say, I got the religion." His Ottawa office is a treasure-house of northern ethnology and he admits to wearying of glitziades on the floor of Parliament, after hearing months of small, despondent men talk of their fragile way of life and what could happen to it at the whim of government. "Our party has always supported strongly autonomous governments," he says. "I think we should rethink that."

Politics was a natural progression in this turbulent career, and from 1975 to 1977 he sat out actively in parliament. It was to be no mere thing. He had to battle the fact that he was largely unknown in B.C. and that some hairy-chested elements of the West Coast NDP viewed him as a junior socialist. (An anti-political and minimalist folk-song singer, McNeill's nomination was in Ringway in 1977 brought charges of arrogance and did little to soothe party enemies. By 1979 he had, however, become a polished performer. "The best candidate I've ever worked with when it comes to



Waddell: a game of billions the dog

street-stop campaigning," says campaign manager Ben Wickmore. No small tribute from the man who ran campaigns for former B.C. premier Dave Barrett. Despite boasts of "Point Grey lawyer" from Liberal forays, he successfully busted Holt in both elections. (Point Grey, in Vancouver, is known for its wealthy residents.)

Waddell arrived in Ottawa and quickly gained the coveted energy critic posting, following the 1986 election. Always intending to be a politician on

the national stage, Waddell abandoned the grueling weekly columns from the West Coast in favor of a three-week cycle. "B.C. has never had much impact on the national scene. It's never produced a prime minister, or even a party leader, and I think the travelling time is a factor." A bachelor, Waddell moves easily among conservative party conservatives, labor leaders of playing teams. He spends leisure hours skiing, snow dancing, tearing down back roads in his Fiat sports car or travelling to yoga retreats in the Bahamas. Proceeds privately worry that opposition parties will leave him unimposedly behind. Waddell acknowledges the possibility, and in December launched a campaign for Gary Jax to follow him in the military and eventually successful battle for a freedom of information bill. It's a sentiment that helps explain Waddell's stubborn persistence with his private "pre-build" suit, which could cost him \$5,000 or more. (The NDP, fearing an expensive president, has so far succeeded only moral support.) Even a favorable ruling would mean for a rewritten piece of "pre-build" legislation back to the door of the House for perfunctory debate. But for Waddell, happy warrior, the 30-second news clips and, more importantly, the events loosely illustrated by changing on the Liberal dog have so far been worth the wait. ☐

## Follow-up

# Days of woe for the DC-10

The giant McDonnell Douglas Corporation is fighting a jinx that is as elusive as a witch's spell, as real as the millions of dollars that it is costing the company. It concerns the public image of the DC-10, the wide-bodied jet that has been involved in four major crashes in the past 6½ years—plus a close call just last month when two flew out of from Lambert Heathrow Airport. For although exhaustive scientific studies show that the plane is as safe as any craft that flies the skies, there remains a widespread perception that it is cursed. And this perception is proving incredibly tough to change. Passengers continue to avoid the DC-10. Airlines are dropping orders and sales of the 400-million plane have slumped accordingly.

In March, 1974, a Turkish Airlines DC-10 crashed near Paris killing all 248 people on board. In May, 1976, an American Airlines DC-10 crashed at Chicago's

O'Hare Airport killing 270, later the same year one of the planes crashed in Mexico City and another in Australia killing a total of 331 people. The Chicago crash was the worst aviation disaster in American history, and all DC-10s were grounded for 38 days while its causes were being investigated.

But since then it has been learned

I don't think the jinxed-plane syndrome can be avoided entirely. The cost of the jet on each turn has been enormous. In 1988 McDonnell Douglas executives predicted that they would sell 900 DC-10s by 1990. In fact, they have sold only about 250. They need to sell 400 just to break even with the research and development costs. McDonnell Douglas



DC-10 still without a safe as any plane.

that the Paris crash was caused by a faulty cargo door, the Chicago crash resulted from improper maintenance procedures that had nothing to do with McDonnell Douglas. Yet the air-minded are believed to be the result of pilot error.

Howard Major, an aerospace analyst in New York, says, "All that McDonnell Douglas can do is keep flying the plane.

len has printed a glossy "Special Report" on the plane to improve its image and to take the media to task. In September, 1979—when media attention to DC-10 began shut down was at its peak—U.S. airlines reported 31 crashes involving 5,000 seats. In the same year, the comparable total for DC-10s was eight. But only the DC-10 shutdown—less than a fifth of the total—made headlines."

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## City Scene

### School for better bettors



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**O**dds are that gambling will soon be legal in New York state. Indeed, reports the hub of the action will likely be Niagara Falls, where U.S. customs will happily warm up the dice for hordes of heavyweights crossing the border to try their luck. But according to Bruce Irwin, Canada's self-proclaimed gambling expert, the Canadians won't stand a chance. Irwin estimates that in 1979 Theotomous alone dropped \$46 million in Las Vegas, and lost another \$26 million in Las Vegas and Atlantic City this year. He says that of the 15,000 Canadian tourists who gamble in foreign casinos every month, "only five per cent knew how to play properly."

To give the suckers an even break, Irwin has opened North America's first gambling school, called The Ontario School of Gaming, in Thornhill. There, in a true-to-life casino setting, trained dealers and croupiers in red blouses instruct prospective players from across Canada in the rules of blackjack, roulette, craps and baccarat. Since opening the first class last April, more than 1,000 pupils have come to class to learn secret strategies guaranteed to make more losses and bring back those American bucks. Irwin, 25, claims he has been winning at gambling for 20 years. Nifty in a tax and truly short, he personifies the legendary cigar-smoking gambler—until you notice his eyes warm, almost innocent, not the eyes of a high roller. Indeed, it wasn't chance but chance that lured Irwin into his first

crack and says Irwin, gambling with class.

casino in 1962. At the time he was a dental technician in Vancouver, his uncle died and left him a million-dollar net. The old farmer in Stratford, Ont., had spent years playing mathematical games by candlelight, and though he had never laid a bet, he had devised a formula for winning at blackjack. With the legacy came a \$1 bill and the warning: "Don't be greedy."

When Irwin tried the system out in Las Vegas, he won consistently. But then the casinos caught on and he was watched, then bargained at the tables and finally arrested for "vagrancy"—with \$12,000 on his pocket.

"Gamers don't like winners," says Irwin. So, he's determined to support his winning ways to anyone game enough to enroll in his "Las Vegas of the North." He has sunk \$500,000 into the school. Its focus is a high-staking fantasy course run, with 18 professional blackjack tables and two 1960s Havana roulette wheels. Course fees range from a meager \$50 to an annual membership of \$150. For another \$150, Irwin will divulge his secret system. No money is won or lost in class, only chips, as a flavor is served to students will work with their minds.

"Mostly, gambling used the average person thinks of winners and losers," says Bruce's wife Joye, who manages the school. "We show them a way to do it without the dirt. Gambling can be a respectable operation run with intelligence and class."

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World

# BLOOD FEUD IN THE GULF

*Iraq fights an old enemy to keep others at bay*



Advancing Iraqi tanks (left) and Iranian missile-gun crew throttling Iraq's water lifeline of food and weapons

By Claude Wright

**I**n the Iraqi Museum in Baghdad, several rooms display huge 5,000-year-old wall reliefs celebrating the victories of warrior-kings who fought each other for control over the waterways and fertile banks of the rivers now known as the Tigris, Euphrates and Shatt al-Arab. In one relief, the Assyrian King Sargon II accepts the tribute of treasure—slaves and live animals of lions and a triangular pile of severed soldiers' heads.

As thousands of Iraqis surged into Baghdad's streets last week to celebrate, perhaps a little prematurely, what they regarded as the greatest Arab victory over a non-Arab state in modern times, it was easy for a Western observer to imagine that the way between Iraq and Iran was an irrational throwback to the despotic past. But the bloody feud that was still in progress in the Gulf at the weekend had more modern motives. If Saddam Hussein, the president of Iraq, drew his conclusions from anyone, it was not the Assyrian Sargon but rather the Prussian military strategist Carl von Clausewitz. The 16-page military campaign, which began just over a week ago, represented a textbook illustration of Clausewitz's maxim that war is the extension of politics by other means.

By week's end, despite increasing

Iranian resistance, particularly in the air, and the blowing up of Iraq's export pipeline to the Mediterranean by Kurdish saboteurs, Iraqi troops had dug in as Iranian territory and, with the military grip necessary to throttle Iraq's lifeline of food and weapons in winter, were waiting for the political transformations of Tehran by slow collapse or coup d'état.

As they did so, the energy-dependent world watched on tiptoe. More than 30 countries were seriously affected by the early cutoff of Iranian and Iraqi oil supplies, among them France, which gets 37.1 per cent of its oil from Iraq. And, should hostilities close the strategic Strait of Hormuz further down the Persian Gulf, 56 per cent of the West's

supplies will dry up. Small wonder that, as the United States canvassed the views of allies about how to keep the oil flowing and an Arab mediation team led by Palestinian President Yassir Arafat prepared to start work, late last week a US naval task force including the carrier Midway slipped from the Kenyan port of Mombasa (see *Who Has What*, page 58) for an undisclosed but predictable destination, while other US naval units proceeded in the direction of the Gulf from Japan.

The Iraqi invasion followed months of nagging border incidents. But Iraq did not go to war because of them. As unsettling as it was to endure Iranian troops in a strip of land around Basra, Kuwait, only 180 km east of Baghdad, the Iraqis could have put up with it just as they endured the driving of the frontier down the middle of the Shatt al-



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Arly River at the signing of the 1875 Algiers pact with the shah, who agreed in return to stop arming the Kurds against them.

Iraq did not go to war either because of racial or religious differences. Tales of blood spilled between Kurds and Persians between Arabs and Persians, and between concerned descendants of the Prophet Muhammad make a complex picture of conflict. But in Turin, based on Iraqi political scientist who now

lives in Calgary, insisted "The notion that Iraq and Iran see in a religious war is absurd."

In western Iraq, the vast exodus of peasants into the cities, particularly Baghdad, has cut tribal ties, and weakened the Iraqis' sense of identity and loyalty. Today, one-third of Iraq, 12 million are under 20 and don't inherit the poverty and job discrimination that the southern Shi'ites had once experienced at the hands of the northern Sunnis. At

present, the national Baath Party counted one-third Shi'ite and, according to Beirut, roughly half the state workers and the newly elected Iraqi parliament are Shi'ites too.

Where experienced Shi'ite opposition to Hussein's regime has remained, mostly in the Iraqi Shi'a holy cities, Najaf and Karbala, where clerical support for Khomeni and the Iranian revolution has been openly expressed, Iraqi reaction has been ruthlessly violent.

to-air missiles. All reported in good condition.

Navy — 21 small but fast attack boats, 12 with missiles and 10 with torpedoes.

#### UNITED STATES

There are 31 American ships in the region, including the aircraft carrier Eisenhower with 80 destroyers. Another carrier, the Midway, and its two escorts are in the Persian port of Bombay. There are four amphibious ships at the island of Diego Garcia, 3,300 km to the south. They carry a 1,800-man marine force and are accompanied by seven cargo vessels carrying enough equipment for an enlarged 160,000-man marine brigade for two weeks; an undivided number of tanks and other combat vehicles as well as fuel supplies of missiles. The naval force includes missile cruisers probably equipped with nuclear weapons. Including the aircraft aboard the two carriers, the air force could number about 300 fighters and bombers in the area; many now based in Egypt. The U.S. has also demonstrated recently that it can easily reach the area with B-53 bombers with heavy nuclear payloads and with attack—airborne warning and control systems, which would greatly increase the secrecy of the 150 fighters and attack planes aboard the two carriers.

#### SOVIET UNION

The Soviets have 39 ships in the area including 12 warships, six of them the amphibious Ivan Rogo carrying about 300 attack troops. Next door to Iran, in Afghanistan, they have about 55,000 heavily armed, but heavily engaged, troops. However, there are another 80,000 well-armed troops along the Soviet-Iranian border. The Soviet air force strength in the area is not known.

#### OTHERS

The French have the largest permanent naval presence in the Indian Ocean, with four heavily armed frigates and a command ship at Djibouti, along with some 4,000 troops, plus about eight other support vessels, destroyers and patrol ships in the region. The British and the Australians each have four frigates in the area.

Assembly International estimates that several thousand Shi'ites have been expelled across the border this year. In the past 18 months, dozens of Shi'ite clerics and supporters have been arrested and about 10 have been executed. That has not stopped the Iranian mullahs from doing their best to whip up street anger, urging the Iraqi Shi'ites in radio broadcasts to overthrow the Hussein regime. On the Iraqi side, radio messages in the name of the shah's last prime minister, Shubhan Bakhtiar, call for Khomeni's overthrow. Such sides France and arm each other's opponents at home and outside Iraq, except for both sides have banned each other's embassies, airlines and trading companies in places as far apart as Beirut, Abu Dhabi, London, Vienna and Berlin.

But so long as each incident produced a retaliation in kind, these propaganda wars were not the decisive factor leading to war. That, it seems clear now, was an Iraqi calculation that U.S. influence might see it reestablished in Iran. Since the hostage crisis began, Baghdad has consistently attacked Khomeni for pursuing a policy that risked inciting the United States to intervene. It is significant that Hussein ordered the first war plane nearly five months ago in May, after the U.S. attempt to rescue the hostages ended in disaster.

The timing of last week's offensive suffered Hussein's calculation that the Iraqis were getting close to a settlement of the hostage dispute. Once they were released, Iraq feared, the U.S. might make common cause with Tehran and expand the border conflict, severely



Hussein reviews Iraqi troops in Beirut, after Gorbachev's demand for withdrawal in kind



Pakistan's Zia pines for not decisive

resist the Kurdish war and threaten the Gulf with far more violent violence than had so far occurred.

Between the start of preparations for war and on beginning, there were elaborate consultations with nearby Arab

states. Khomeni's travel from Baghdad up and down the Gulf, while the crown prince of Kuwait made a state visit to Iraq in August, Hussein made a trip to confer with Saudi leaders. The reactions were favorable. To further reassure the Gulf states, Iraq promised to move slowly. Iraq was to be offered the chance to negotiate on the territorial issue, one by one. If there was no response, Iraq would increase the military pressure with Iranian troops made an Iraqi pre-emptive strike unacceptable to the Arabs. In the end, this was what happened. In the first week of September, Iraq asked Iran to negotiate the restoration of the central border strip around Zafar al-Ghar. The Iranians refused, as Baghdad followed with an ultimatum. A day later the Iraqi moved.

The smoke of propaganda made inter-



Iranian hovercraft patrolling the Gulf, not everything in the arsenal works

## Who has what in the Gulf

Throughout last week, the world's strategists were working on two scenarios. One, Iraq's invasion, involved a hurried war between Iraq and Iran, the second foretold a much longer confrontation. For instance, after the mid-July of Hussein be released, 50 per cent of the World's oil would come to flow—and the U.S. and six others, and possibly the Soviet Union, might be drawn into the fight. Hussein's breakdown into the forces available to the armed or political conclusions in the immediate area.

#### IRAN

Army — 120,000 combat soldiers, down 100,000 because of recent desertions, 60,000 reserves not yet called up, 4,000 British and U.S. battle tanks at least half immobilized through lack of spares and skilled service technicians, 1,200 artillery pieces and howitzers with a large supply of shells, most believed in working order. Hundreds of U.S. supplied heavy surface-to-air missiles, not in working order, 100 batteries of multiple-launch Soviet anti-aircraft guns also believed to be out of order.

Air Force — 77 F-14 Tomcat fighters carrying the Phoenix missile system. Only six fighters and none of the Phoe-

nix system operational because of lack of maintenance, 100 F-4 Phantom, 50 per cent not operational, 100 F-5 fighters, 50 per cent not operational, 300 British and American helicopters, most in flying condition. Thousands of British and U.S. air-ground and air-to-air missiles in good condition.

Navy — Eight major surface warships, only one in operational condition. About 21 missile-carrying destroyers, frigates, gunboats and hovercraft, all operational.

#### IRAQ

Army — 180,000 well-trained combat soldiers, 250,000 reserves not yet called up, 1,700 Soviet-supplied battle tanks, old but believed in good working order, 800 Soviet artillery pieces and howitzers, 1,800 Soviet-made surface-to-air missiles, and about 50 batteries of radar-directed anti-aircraft guns, all in good condition.

Air Force — 40 MIG-21 ground-attack fighters, 40 MIG-23 fighter bombers, 100 SU-26 fighter bombers, 115 MIG-23 interceptors, 12 SU-26 supersonic bombers, 101 per cent light bombers, 200 Soviet-made helicopters, thousands of Soviet-made air-ground and air-

## Where the war is being fought



## The first six days of 'holy war'

**A**fter simmering for months, the Iraq-Iran conflict suddenly boiled into the international stage last week. *Maclean's* chronicles the latest events.

**Monday**—Shower skirmishes become full-fledged war as Iraqi planes attack Tehran's Mehriz airport and near others. Iran retaliates with two air strikes and declares its waters a war zone, threatening the vital Strait of Hormuz.

**Tuesday**—Iraqi bombs and shells hit the Iranian oil refinery at Abadan, the world's largest, where, Iraq ground troops move into Iran. Iranian planes

hit the south of Iraq. In Washington, President Carter pledges U.S. neutrality while the official Soviet paper, *Izvestia*, urges a halt to the fighting.

**Wednesday**—Iranian warships shell Iranian territorial waters off Abadan, bombed Basra. Iraq's territorial air base is hit in a second Iraq claim to occupy a 16 km strip along most of the border. Iraq halts oil exports.

**Thursday**—Iran also halts oil exports. Iranian gasfields and testing oil sales are forbidden. Iraq claims capture of five more Iranian towns including the port of Khorramshahr. In New York, after the Soviet call to both sides to cease fighting, U.S. Secretary of State Shultz calls for a ceasefire.

pretense of friendship. But, at week's end, Iraq seemed to have liquidated its Iranian neighbor—to establish a buffer zone around Dayz al-Qos, pushing the Iranian artillery farther east where it would no longer be able to fire across the border, and to establish control over the oil refinery and port area in the south, providing a stronghold on Iran's foreign trade, food and fuel needs.

A third objective might be, as a diplo-

mat from the United Arab Emirates hinted last week, that Iraq was trying to create the conditions for an Iranian coup leading to the establishment in Tehran of a government amenable to it before Khomeini's policies force the U.S. to intervene. But the Iraqis could not wait too long for fear of alienating the Israeli support they have gained along the Gulf. "People are divided," said the Iranian diplomat. "For Arab solidarity they want to see a gas for Iraq. Others do not want to see a conflict between two Muslim peoples. If the worst came to the worst, the majority might end up supporting Iran."

Finally, there was the Soviet factor. Before the outbreak of war, a correspondent at the prestigious French daily, *Le Monde*, *Mrs. Ravinsky*, suggested that the Soviet Union would be unlikely to ally itself with a pro-American gov-

ern Minister Andrei Gromyko center.

**Friday**—Iraqis admit they have not severed Khawr-mushahr and say are encountering stiff resistance. In New York, the Islamic Conference decides to send a "goodwill mission" to the combatants as the U.N. Security Council prepares a resolution urging them to stop fighting.

**Saturday**—Islamic Conference military, Pakistani President Zia al-Haq, arrives in Tehran for talks with President Ebn-Sadr. Iranian forces continue to fend off Iraqi attacks on Abadan and Khawr while their planes bomb Basra and the Iraqi Kirkuk refinery. In the week, it seems are believable, Iraq has lost 30 MiG fighters, 250 tanks and six naval vessels, while Iran has lost about 146 Phantom aircraft, 142 tanks and 10 MiGs.



## Goodbye to the 'great buddies'

**T**he two Iranian fighter bombers streaked in from the east, disgorged eight bombs into the skies above the Iraqi petrochemical refining city of Basra, and died into the early morning light. The bombs had won a billion-dollar chemical project, killed at least 50 foreign petrochemical workers and Iraqi support staff, and sent 69 Canadians fleeing for their lives. C.R. Lee of Mississauga, Ont., who had been a site engineer with a Toronto-

### Refugees Canadian: warships started out

based company's refinery, refinery project in Basra, shattered his mood. "We heard this loud bang—the windows were blown out—some of us dove under the table. There were these clouds of dust and smoke—we didn't know what to do."

Petrochemicals struck the C.R. Lee Marine Co.'s headquarters as workers raced for the nearest car and headed for their homes. Grabbing their families and only the heaviest clothes and canned drinks, the Canadians drove for the Kuwait border, 28 km away. They were taking a dangerous chance, admits Lee. Only the day before, Lee's had given refuge to a group of Iraqi workers, banded out of their job site, the Iraqis had been turned back at the border. Rather, the Canadians had watched as rockets and shells pummeled the Basra airport; they had witnessed two Iraqi fighters pursue an

Iranian tank over in Tehran. Iraq, appears to be of the same mind. While it is linked to the Soviets by an eight-year-old friendship treaty, high Iraqi officials make plain their disagreements with Soviet intervention in Arab and regional affairs, and Saddam Hussein is quite capable of making a much for regional power in the Gulf without Soviet prompting.

On the other hand, as an American-sponsored naval force to keep the Strait of Hormuz open and protect tanker traffic in the Gulf, members of the 1950-era Arab-Caribbean Association, and more more risks than the short memories of the White House can comprehend. There is a serious danger that any move made by the superpowers would encourage Iraq or Iran to escalate the fighting and put off negotiations aimed at ending it.

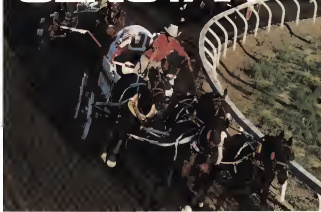
Iranian Phantom jets 250 metres above the ground. And now, 24 hours later, they, like the Iraqis, were in flight.

This time, meanwhile, the Iraqis opened the border and waived exit requirements for those who had lost their passports in the chaos of departure. Ironically, humanitarian bottlenecks stayed intact for those with papers. Law waited six hours for his exit to be processed, two of them with the Iraqi border for lunch.

In Basra, cars and on foot, the Canadian refugees moved across the three-km no-man's-land that separates the Iraqi border from Kuwait. On the way were taking a dangerous chance, admits Lee. Only the day before, Lee's had given refuge to a group of Iraqi workers, banded out of their job site, the Iraqis had been turned back at the border. Rather, the Canadians had watched as rockets and shells pummeled the Basra airport; they had witnessed two Iraqi fighters pursue an

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Schmidt addressing Munich rally. Strauss insists, spoiled by the predictability of its outcome

## Rough, but not ready to quit

By Peter Lewis

Given the contenders and the amount of political gossamer at hand, it should have been the fiercest political duel in years. But as the West German election campaign drew to a close with white-noise rallies in some both great and small, the comrades of Helmut Schmidt and Konrad Adenauer for the chancellorship, Franz Josef Strauss, had the crowd roaring rather than roaring in Munich, stronghold of the arch-conservative Strauss, the campaign for the Oct. 6 ballot, never all that sparkling to begin with, was eclipsed — before the start of last week's bombing overshadowed the traditional heavy, backslapping environment — by the advent of the Oktoberfest.

In the northern port of Hamburg, bastion of present-day German so-

cieties and home of Chancellor Schmidt, it would have taken a master sleuth to find more than the odd poster to indicate that an election crucial to the West was imminent. On the great square near the congress hall—where there was a touch of excitement when left-wingers howled down Strauss at a rally last month—the turf was cowed not by politicians clamoring for a seat in the Bundestag (parliament), but by bands of playful youths on roller skates beating down the Stuka dive-bombers upon the petrified citizenry.

From the outset, the extent for the leadership of Western Europe's most powerful nation was spalled by the predictability of its outcome—Schmidt has never seemed in serious danger of losing office—and the opponents' strategies. Personal results notwithstanding, these could be summarized by two slogans chosen from the easy offered in

past weeks. The first, accompanied by a noisy shot of Strauss under the colors of his right-wing CDU CDU coalition, beseeched Germans: Strauss waken! (See Schenckel's stoppage (Vote Strauss to stop socialism). The other, a socialist SPD poster displaying a benign Helmut Schmidt, states simply: Schenckel! (See Schmidt's Security for Germany).

These exhortations were unrelated to glib on deep fears in the German electorate—of creeping socialism using conservatives, and of the rain-bombers, but unpredictable, person of Franz Josef Strauss among the centre and left—and will undoubtedly occupy the minds of West Germany's 42 million voters as they troop to the polls to elect candidates to 52 seats in the Bundestag for a four-year mandate.

As in Canada, the election is theoretically being fought between the parties rather than between men—the leader of the party winning the highest number of seats forms the next cabinet. But the battle necessarily has focused on Schmidt and Strauss as the leaders of Germany's two great coalitions, and around Hans Dietrich Genscher, the present foreign minister whose liberal party (FDP) shares power with Schmidt in Bonn. In the 1976 general election, the SPD polled 42 per cent of the vote, the FDP 7.9 per cent (for a combined score of 50.9 per cent) and the rightist CDU/CSU 48.9 per cent (the remaining 1.1 per cent went to independents). This time around, if the latest polls prove

correct, Schmidt's coalition could swing back to power with anything up to 53 per cent.

Yet if Strauss's rough-house personality has seemingly lost the election for the German right, it has provoked the campaign from turning into a war of attrition for Schmidt. And the national Strauss has been helped by events. If the political fallout from the Munich bombing—with its 152 casualties, 12 of them fatal—was hard to assess, the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and the recent worker rebellion in Poland had shaken German confidence in Schmidt as a shield against anarchy in Europe. That left Schmidt, whose reputation as a statesman rests partly on his pursuit of quiet stability, in a bit of a bind, open to speculation. That he was a "young Thatcher." In addition, the economy, for the first time in years, has recently developed leakage: the public debt is high and exports lower. "Each country has its particular horror, and to Germany the bug is inflation," said Gerhard Schröder, a CDU chief who has been opposed for the finance ministry should Strauss win. "You need only remember the crazy [pre-war] days our currency literally wasn't worth the paper it was printed upon to see why."

Indeed, it was the economic scare that fanned the only serious incident in the campaign. Two Sundays ago, priests in more than 15,000 Catholic churches read a pastoral letter expressing the fear that the "dramatically high level of interest rates would endanger the future of our children," and condemning the growing encroachment of the state on the lives of citizens.

An Irish Schmidt described the letter as an "abominable appeal to the country's 22 million Catholics to vote for Strauss. But, otherwise, the chancellor has been up well during a campaign described by one of his aides as "dirty but dull." In countering Strauss's eloquent charges, first with arguments and then with scorn, Schmidt has underlined the statesman's image that he entered him respect of home and abroad.

Nevertheless, Strauss, who turned 60 recently, appears to have lost touch that he was long in to draw up a cabinet list and worked on his government policy. The enthusiasm was cartilage—as to his point. As the Oktoberfest was proceeding open in Munich's Maximilians Park, Strauss rolled up in a white Mercedes with daughter Maria to celebrate with Mayor Fritz Kuhl. As his addresser pressed around him, Strauss raised a huge stein to his lips, gazed at the attractive Maria and gazed in to his guest-and-son-in-law. "We've got the situation in the bag," Strauss yipped. "Nobody believed him."

## Marketing a lever against monopoly

Canada's long-standing relations with the European Community were given a new jolt last month when Claude Champagne, ambassador for development and aid, got a good hearing in Ottawa for his plans for greater co-operation in dialogue with the Third World. This month, his visit followed by the Franco-English crisis, another of the community's top issues, energy and industry came. At the same time, and probably in Canada, in Brussels, Strasbourg, a 14-year-old debate resumed, answered questions for Maclean's correspondent there, Peter Lewis.



Dilemma: In Ottawa with Strasbourg

**Maclean's:** Do you fear that the current rivalry between France and Italy could harm the EC's oil supplies?

**Development:** Any conflict between major oil suppliers is potentially very dangerous. The conflict has had no immediate repercussions as Europe because our current oil stocks could tide us over for 120 days. But, obviously, if the situation becomes very serious, we are going to have to start evaluating how vulnerable we are.

**Maclean's:** You've recently taken over responsibility for the EC's energy policy as well as the industrial development. How high a priority will energy have in your Canadian visit?

**Development:** All questions of industrial and economic development are intrinsically linked to energy supply. It's a question of energy and production. It's a question of how we produce our goods. I've been to see how Canadian industry has managed to adapt, what new techniques are being used and whether fresh opportunities for co-operation in development have emerged. A lot of Canada's more fortunate energy position

**Maclean's:** As EC oil minima is gradually being raised, do you think that British Columbia oil will form a major part of the EC's future energy strategy?

**Development:** Europe is still a little at sea on the oil issue because the shift from oil to coal in industry has proved both uneven and complicated. Our present aim is to ensure how much oil is available at advantageous prices in order to re-adjust our energy strategy with a view to using more coal. We've sent a top-level delegation to British Columbia to see where the Canadian picture can fit in.

**Maclean's:** What can the EC offer Canada in return for its energy?

**Development:** We've got a number of things to offer in terms of technology. For instance, our current research on the liquefaction of coal, which naturally optimizes a resource like oil, would probably be welcome in Canada. But when you think of a new material like energy, you generally get back finished products.

**Maclean's:** Does it concern you that U.S. penetration of Canadian industry may make it difficult for Canada to buy European?

**Development:** It's a fact of life—and geography—that Canada sees the United States as its natural economic partner. It could be, however, that in fields where the U.S. seems to have a monopoly, Europe could provide an alternative. Europe is a much-needed lever in dealing with the Americans.

**Maclean's:** What has the EC to offer that Canada can't buy from the U.S.?

**Development:** Apart from raw materials, nobody can offer anything that does not have to be produced elsewhere as efficiently and at about the same price. But it is within that they range of performance and cost that one finds the crucial reason for choosing, say, a European over a Japanese or American product.

**Maclean's:** Does your visit, the first by a top-level EC official for some time, signify Europe's wish to lend fresh impetus to an EC-Canada dialogue which seems to have been waning for a while?

**Development:** It's true that top EC executives do not need to Ottawa every month to demonstrate their friendship, but I've always thought that such quality demonstrates are employed by people who don't like each other very much, which is certainly not the case here. We've made strong headway in such fields as the transfer of nuclear and computer technology, and the purpose of my trip is to take stock of progress and set the course for the future.

Bombing victims being removed: a variety of the traditional environment





## Halfway home and a race turns nasty

By Michael Posner

**T**he American presidential marathon is nearing its halfway point, and the race is starting to get nasty. Last week, in a working-class suburb of Los Angeles, Jimmy Carter told a town hall forum that the next four years would determine whether "this nation will make progress or go backwards, and whether we have peace or war." Soon thereafter, the president's aides circulated a list of comments Ronald Reagan had made on international crises over the past decade, most considered veiled or explicit suggestions for deploying U.S. forces. This depiction of his Republican opponent as a closet warmonger, a man with an itchy finger on the nuclear trigger, has become an integral part of the president's campaign strategy. His pollsters have told him Americans harbor residual fears about the former governor of California. Increasingly, the polls suggest, voters perceive Reagan as more willing to lead the nation into war and more apt to make provocative remarks in volatile situations. Jimmy Carter's goal is to aggravate those doubts, especially among

traditionally Democratic blue-collar voters who, blaming the president for chronic inflation and an inept foreign policy, are this year leaning toward the Republicans.

Keeping Reagan as the defensive serves the equally important need of deflecting attention from the Carter record, but the challenger has largely refused to accept the bait. Campaigning through the South, Reagan stressed local themes—federal responsibility for the refugee problem in Florida, deregulated energy policy in oil-rich Texas, the importance of the Tennessee Valley Authority in Knoxville. The Reagan strategy is to reject low-road racism; his response to the warmongering charge, for example, was to reach out of disappointment to the president as it was of anger, as though to suggest that Carter had breached the issues of political decency.

How will these diverging tactics play among the electorate remains uncertain, analysts say. It is but one of a dozen or more imponderables in a campaign that is becoming increasingly difficult to predict. Perhaps the most problematic factor is John Anderson, the



Carter in Toronto (left); Reagan in Florida, breaching the limits of political decency.

Illinois Republican turned Independent, who commands a faithful 15 per cent of voting support, much of it concentrated in the northeast. Anderson's liberal stances on several issues—defense spending, abortion and energy—is cutting into Jimmy Carter's already narrow lead in critical states (New York, Illinois), and the president's strategists aren't quite sure what to do about it. To attack Anderson is to lead him credibly, and so Carter has tried to ignore or paint him as a pale replica of Ronald Reagan.

Yet that strategists, too, seem to be failing. The Sept. 18 debate in Baltimore between Anderson and Reagan polarized the congressional constituency in several ways (not least the ability to

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afford a United Airlines 727 jet (see later). Anderson, meeting guests agreed, appeared intelligent, articulate and professional—despite a tendency to hesitate. And among those who watched the debate, his share of the national polls climbed to 39 per cent, promoting Anderson to Staley's right-hand man. But he has no chance of winning. Despite the records of Carter and Reagan respectively, he said: "I don't think either one is a bargain. Talk about being a spoiler. What's to spoil?" Anderson disagreed with Reagan on five of the ten questions put to them, underscoring his ideological separatism—exactly what the Carter camp least desired.

Reagan benefited too. In his rambling but affable manner, he projected a calm, level-headed approach which boosted his standing in the post-debate polls by several percentage points. What Reagan advisers fear most is another "gaffe" such as the Tennessee incident, when he erroneously referred to the Alabama town as the birthplace and haven of the Ku Klux Klan. Said one Reagan spokesman in Tennessee: "I don't know anyone who doesn't think that wasn't an unfortunate remark."

At the same time, some Reagan officials are wary of a one-on-one debate with Carter, and last week declined a new invitation from the League of Women Voters to participate in a series of encounters, the first of which would have confronted John Anderson. "There are enough variables already," says one Reagan aide. "We don't have to add to the mix."

Those variables, which may well determine the outcome of the election, include the precarious balance of events

in the Middle East, the fate of the American hostages in Tehran and the health of the U.S. economy. The prime interest rate edged upward again last week, sparking renewed fears that the end of the recession—widely predicted by Treasury Secretary G. William Miller—is not yet at hand.

Carter's decided advantage is the power of manhood to influence events. Release of the hostages, Reagan staffers acknowledge, would do much to affect the president's catalogue of foreign policy misadventures. And a sharp, continued drop in unemployment figures might persuade enough voters in the industrial states to reaffirm their Democratic commitments. But a healthy segment of the voting population still insists it has not made up its mind about Carter or Reagan or Anderson. So the three candidates are circling each other in the ring, and those who will cast the decisive ballots are watching very carefully. ☐

## A tampon warning from the FDA

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced last week that it plans to require warning labels similar to those on cigarette packages to appear on all brands of tampons. The labels will inform women of an apparent link between tampon use and toxic shock syndrome (TSS). Manufacturers will have the opportunity to object but the administration hopes to have made the warnings obligatory in two months. First reactions from the \$1-billion-a-year industry were that manufacturers expected a ban on tampons. But now there would be no massive switch to napkins.

The administration's action followed a warning from the government's Center for Disease Control in Atlanta that it had recorded nearly 300 cases of TSS already this year, with 25 fatalities since 1975. The center's Dr. Bruce Dine stated that although the risk seemed low—the disease strikes only three out of every 100,000 women—he believed that the spread of bacteria was new and that it could very quickly become a major problem.

The centre also noted that while victims included users of all five major brands, users of Procter & Gamble's Bity tampons appeared to contract the toxin as frequently, and the company acted swiftly by recalling tens of thousands from supermarkets and drugstores. A spokesman told Macdon's that small quantities of the tampons imported into Ontario independently by brokers P. Procter & Gamble has not marketed



Washington, D.C., store receives Poly tampons. Incidence of disease is going up

the Bity brand outside the U.S. were now off the shelves and efforts were being made to find out if other provinces had received supplies.

The company maintains it knows of no defect in the brand, and doctors are still investigating why Bity users may be more at risk. But one clue may be contained in the Procter & Gamble statement that said: "Bity's major ingredients are forms of polyester. Polyester is used for the covering, for the foam and for the removal strap. The other basic materials are made from natural cellulose. Bity is the only tampon that contains polyester foam and absorbent cellulose material."

Meanwhile, Procter & Gamble estimates the cost of the recall at \$75 million, although a company spokesman said that they had not yet decided how to dispose of the tampons. He added: "We were not ordered to recall these tampons by the government. We have taken the action on our own and we regard it as a company suggestion of sale, at least until the final medical reports are made and we know for sure just what the connection between our product and toxic shock syndrome really is."

William Lowther

## Canada

# Up North for fun and profit



By Ian Anderson

A few nations' politics became a last-minute of threats, counter-threats, symbolic gestures and more leaks. Prime Minister Trudeau took time last week to visit an off-shore oil rig in the Arctic with his son Michel, 4. Implicit in the visit was a symbolism only Canadians might recognize, coming as it did just after Trudeau denied Newfoundland full title to off-shore resources and just before the crunch comes over oil pricing with Alberta. On the same day, Energy Minister Marc Lalonde let slip the news that Petro-Canada had a plan to ship natural gas by tanker to Japan. The announcement came as a surprise to the conventional oil industry of the project. Dame Peterson Ltd. Fighting the energy and constitutional battles on the same front has left Ottawa scrambling for any ammunition available. These, whose Archie Trudeau visited with his chairman, John Gallagher, had found much part of the fall collection, where an issue as ancient as natural gas exports had led to constitutional wrangling over federal authority and Western protest delay.

With gold prices soaring and with gold oil refineries burning in Iraq and Iran last week, Alberta was still refusing permission for the Alameda connection to clear money in advance of building its multibillion-dollar oil sands plant near Fort McMurray. Delaying the plant's construction has become a high card in Premier Peter Lougheed's negotiations with Ottawa, over oil prices. Tenacious have been raised still further by Ottawa's threat to tax natural gas exports, which are sold to U.S. utilities at nearly twice the Canadian price. Lougheed now seems prepared to hold out on any demand price like until he sees what the impending federal budget does about gas exports. Ottawa



Trudeau in petroleum-rich (left), and just landed in a Baffin oil rig with son Michel and Donna's Goldstar, symbolizes

is adamant it needs a piece of the huge export profit, but indications are it will settle for a relatively small slice for now and make up revenues elsewhere. As world prices rise, the federal tax will increase. Federal savings have shown a majority of Albertans will support that plan.

Ottawa's dilemma is that the gas market is so soft now that any increase in the export price would decrease sales in the U.S. British Columbia's gas exports this year will be only half the amount originally projected. The recession has hurt exports but price is "the paramount factor," says Art Wilson, vice president for gas sales for Westcoast Transmission Company Ltd., which pipes the B.C. gas south. An analyst with the National Energy Board questions whether Canada can ever recover the U.S. market it held last year, now that U.S. gas supplies are rising. With U.S. prices falling to world levels, exploration is making fast out-

There is a shortage of drilling rigs and Canadian exploration companies are casting covetous glances at U.S. profit margins, which eat into more than twice Alberta's. There is a feeling within the industry that the middle of funds leaving Calgary for Denver this fall will become a flood by spring if the intergovernmental squabbling is not settled.

As Ottawa's toes change from that of the Marlboro man to Mary Hartman whenever he discusses government. There is no hiding, then, the discomfort they feel when Lalonde talks about how he wants to Canadianize the industry or export gas to Japan. Like it or not, the oil industry has been caught up in the fall's constitutional crunch. With gas exports so low, B.C. needs the Japanese market. Assured it will assuage some of the pain of an export tax. It will also help the scores of small oil-related Canadian companies with gas they can't sell. Lalonde may be buying naturally for now, even if he can't buy his friends in the West. In the coming battle with Alberta, he can probably use as many people on the sidelines as possible. ☐

Anderson at LaGuardia University a national 66 per cent of voting support.





## See index, under suffering

Free at the best of times, asking federal Finance Minister Allan Rock a question is a bit like playing Ping-Pong with a ghost. Nothing ever comes back—least nothing said. But three days—a few weeks before the government's budget is released—the door minister is being even more opaque than usual as a shield of pre-budget secrecy descends on the capital. Early wonder that Mulroney is a pragmatist—the economic news for taxpayers is almost bound to be bad.

In fact, debate in Ottawa doesn't centre on whether or not to raise taxes, but on the best way of doing it—directly, through selective onerous tax rate increases, or indirectly, by de-indexing personal income tax. It is this last proposal that has excited most controversy—it is seen as a dishonest, pernicious, back-door grab that, as usual, hits the little guy the hardest. If the

pick up an extra \$1.5 billion in taxes this year by de-indexing—an attractive temptation in the light of continuing uncertainty about saving tax proposals. When the idea was first floated last June—by Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, among others—it drew instant and widespread criticism. But as late as last week there were no Liberal spokesmen willing to pronounce the idea dead, and many others who, like retired gunblers at a payout window, wearing expressions of controlled desperation, appeared capable of anything.

Indexing was originally presented as Parliament Hill by Tory Robert Sturges, but introduced by the Liberals in 1974 as a means of eliminating a Catch-22 in the tax system that hit low-income earners particularly hard. If a worker got an eight-per-cent salary increase, for instance, it might let him keep up with the inflation rate. But the more would also bump him into a higher tax bracket so he'd pay more taxes, even though his real earning power hadn't increased at all. Inflation would be getting him from both sides, spending

Brown, senior tax partner with Price Waterhouse & Co. University of Toronto economics professor John Bessone agrees. "It would hit low-income people the hardest. The government hopes the public is too dumb to notice, we can't let them get away with this." For Allan MacEachern, the worst step would be to attempt to do so now. His office says there has been more public response on the issue than any other since he became finance minister. The overwhelming message: "Don't de-index."

Susan Riley

## Reprise on the plot that wasn't

A decade later, the clearest thing about Canada's October Crisis is that every government, police force and terrorist gang involved has been working toward the same end: a cover-up. Last week, Quebec's Parti Québécois government was itself caught sneaking over the late letter, after having apparently dug up other than what it had expected in three years of inquiry into events provoked by the terrorist kidnappings of a British diplomat and a provincial cabinet minister. The Quebec government has withheld for months the findings of its own investigation of the October Crisis, which it had undertaken in hopes of proving that the whole drama had been concocted by federal authorities out to intimidate Quebecers smugged by the ideology of independence.

However, last week an inadvertent leak of findings in a criminology review showed not only that the provincial government has long been in possession of uncorroborated evidence, but that its administration of justice may be tainted by partisan electoral concerns. Accordingly, Quebec Justice Minister Marc-André Stéphan claimed the day after the revelations hit the press that he had not yet read the crisis report prepared for him by lawyer Jean-François Duchesne. Yet, this report was ready in 1978 and was delivered in a final condensed form to the minister several months ago. The justice minister also told the expanding trail of an English-speaking teacher charged a decade after the fact with participating in the kidnapping of British Trade Commissioner James Cross means the Duchesne report will probably have to be kept from the public for months more to avoid prejudicing the case. The accused man, Nigel Barry Hamer, is to enter his plea Nov. 3, and eventual sentencing could conceivably be delayed until mid-winter.

According to the Duchesne findings, Hamer was not the only terrorist sus-

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## Taking on Old Man Winter



Liberals do drop indexing—originally introduced in 1974 to protect taxpayers from the ravages of inflation—most average citizens will pay up to a couple of hundred dollars more in federal tax last Saturday, Joe Clark's Tories—in desperate need of as much as get them back on the television news—launched an advertising campaign to fight de-indexing. The newspaper ads point out that someone earning \$15,000 a year will pay an extra \$275 in taxes in 1980 if indexing is dropped.

The government estimates it could

prime and his tax bill. With indexing, basic exemptions are increased each year according to the cost of living, and tax tables are also adjusted.

Businessmen like the scheme because they say it discourages governments from printing more inflation. Without indexing, the feds would have scooped an estimated extra \$8 billion in revenues over the past six years. Tax experts have almost unanimously condemned threats to de-index. "It would be the most retrogressive step in Canadian tax history in 25 years," said Robert



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The Ford Escort and the Dodge Aries are two of the most significant offerings in this category in '80 (this page, page 10). They join Chrysler's Omni Horizon and the GM X cars in the field of light, transverse-engine, four-wheel-drive designed to rival the thunder from the Rabbit, Civic, Accord, Tinsel, GLC, Audi, Lancia Beta and the whole tank force of foreign cars developed in countries where gasoline has been selling for the equivalent of \$3.50 per gallon for years now.

While the press seems to be taking great delight in racking the domestic auto builders for being caught off-balance with over-sized vehicles, it is still debatable if the alleged public rush toward the econobox is fully warranted. It is entirely possible that people may be panicked at the prospect of \$3.50 gasoline buying vehicles that are unsuitable for their needs. The econobox may be perfect for the person who drives into the city daily and uses it on weekends to haul a wife, two well-behaved kids and a couple of bags of groceries around to nearby shopping plazas. There may be problems, however, when Uncle Jack, Aunt Mable and their two growling offspring come raining, and must be picked up, lodged and all, at the airport.

Ed Reitzky, Editor

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### Don't be caught unprepared

**T**he advice: Be prepared for the worst. It's a long, cold winter and gloom is in the air, but when winter driving is concerned, it's probably good advice, according to Ollie Storrme, manager of emergency road service for the Manitoba Motor League. "Every year we have a couple of deaths out here because stranded motorists get caught unprepared," says Storrme. And the irony is, that it's not that difficult to carry enough equipment to save your life and those of your passengers as well.

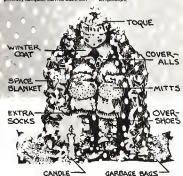
Storrme recommends following the Canadian Automobile Association checklist as standard fare, which includes a sturdy shovel, a 15-foot tow rope, a flashlight with fresh batteries and a set of jumper cables. Even drivers who have no intention of ever leaving city streets would do well to carry such basics which slow escape in the trunk.

But people likely to encounter difficult conditions—commercial travellers and skiers, for example—might wish to take their winter kit one step further in most cases, a perfectly adequate survival outfit can

be put together with items from around the home.

Keeping warm, of course, is the first priority. The CAA suggests a couple of pairs of thick socks, extra gloves or mittens, a hat such as a toque and extra underwear or even a pair of coveralls that can be pulled on over normal winter clothing. Footwear should include overshoes, preferably lined. Blankets will provide extra protection and the so-called space blankets, sold by most sporting goods outlets, not only provide warmth but pack into a much smaller bundle than, say, wool. A couple of garbage bags which can become makeshift emergency gear will keep you dry when stamping your feet and wiping your hands outside the car. Getting wet means losing body heat.

Counting on the car heater to provide warmth overlooks the possibility that you might be stranded in the first place precisely because the car has stalled and won't restart. Four or five long-burning candles, packed with waterproof matches in an airtight container such as a coffee tin, may not quite duplicate the warm glow of the fireplace at home, but a candle provides more heat than you might suspect in the confines of a car. And the coffee can, as well as keeping things dry while in storage, will serve to melt snow for drinking. Eating stores directly to quench thirst contribute to the lowering of the body temperature.



With the wide variety of freeze-dried foods available to supplement a ration of such things as rice, hard chocolate and nuts, putting together a package for four people shouldn't be difficult. Dried mixes of soups and powdered juices, for example, are compact, yet provide nourishment when needed. If you include tinned food, though, look for things that won't freeze long before you need them, and make sure you include a can opener in the kit. Better yet, says the CAA, take along a multi-purpose jackknife.

No matter how complete your survival kit—and you may prefer one of the commercially prepared ones—retaining for about \$25 which includes such things as a small stove, it won't do much good if you don't heed some simple rules, says Ollie Storrme. The first and most important is to stay with the car and mark the position of the car as clearly as possible, preferably with a flare.

If the engine still runs, resist the temptation to over-use it to get warm; about 10 minutes per half hour is recommended. By no means should you start the motor until all snow is cleared from the tailpipe and runner without a window opening. Even an exhaust system that begins the trip in perfect condition can become disconnected en route, especially if you have slidded off the road. If there is any reason to suspect exhaust leaks—and noise is the first indication—avoid running the car. The CAA makes the point as succinctly as it can be made when it warns that carbon monoxide is an "odorless, tasteless gas that gently puts you to sleep—forever."

Sleep, in fact, is to be avoided since the body slows down, increasing the danger of frost bite. Like carbon monoxide poisoning, frostbite gives little warning, but maintaining good circulation will chase off its effects. An absolute taboo, moreover, is alcohol which dilates the blood vessels despite that warm glow you may feel momentarily. A lot of body heat is sure to follow.

Finally, there are some things that you can make a habit in winter that could prevent being stranded, says Storrme. The most obvious is to forget about taking the trip if a big sand blizzard is in the air. But when you do travel, take a tip from skiers who tie a tight pen-knife to their route. It may be reassuring that you have a survival kit that will keep you alive if you need it. But it's always safer if someone knows approximately where to find you before you have to use the kit. ■

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	<b>LESABRE</b> Full-size Buick comfort. In LeSabre (shown) and LeSabre Limited 2-door Coupes and 4-door Sedans. Standard 5.4 liter V6 with available 4.9 liter V6 and 4.4, 5.0 and 5.9 liter V8 and 5.7 liter Diesel V8. See Buick.	<b>26.5 MPG</b> Federal Highway 25/33 City 21/28 <b>9.9 L/100 km</b>
	<b>ELECTRA</b> Ultimate full-size Buick elegance in Electra and Limited and Electra Park Avenue (shown) 2-door Coupes and 4-door Sedans. 5.4 liter V6 standard, 4.9 liter V6 and 4.4, 5.0 and 5.9 liter V8 available. Also a standard model includes nine convenience automatic transmission. See Buick.	<b>25.0 MPG</b> Federal Highway 25/33 City 21/28 <b>11.3 L/100 km</b>
	<b>RIVIERA</b> Luxury convertible front wheel drive personal luxury car. Features V6 engine and Riviera T-Type 2-door. 2.8 liter V6 standard with 5.4 liter turbocharged 2.8 liter V6 V6. T-Type Available with 110 hp, turbo V6, 4.9 liter V6, 5.4 liter V8 and 5.7 liter V8. 4.9 liter V6 and 5.4 liter V8 and 5.7 liter V8. See Buick.	<b>29.4 MPG</b> Federal Highway 25/33 City 21/28 <b>9.5 L/100 km</b>
	<b>CENTURY ESTATE WAGON</b> Mid-size luxury and size 6-cyl. wagon. Century Station Wagon also available. Maximum cargo capacity is 2000 lbs (907 kg). 110 hp. 2.8 liter V6 optional. 4.9 liter V6 and 5.4 liter V8 V8 available. Automatic transmission and power windows are standard. See Buick.	<b>29.9 MPG</b> Federal Highway 25/33 City 21/28 <b>9.6 L/100 km</b>
	<b>ELECTRA ESTATE WAGON</b> Opulent elegance in a station wagon, available in standard or hard-top. Maximum cargo capacity is 2400 lbs (1089 kg). 110 hp. 2.8 liter V6 optional. 4.9 liter V6 and 5.4 liter V8 V8 available. Automatic transmission and power windows are standard. See Buick.	<b>29.4 MPG</b> Federal Highway 25/33 City 21/28 <b>9.5 L/100 km</b>

\*Base list on standard model shown. Higher list includes vehicles in Buick's "new" line. Buick's "new" line is a line of vehicles in the Buick line of cars and trucks. Buick is a line of vehicles and other vehicles. Buick's "new" line is available in Buick's "new" line.

Residuals are approximately 10% per year. See Buick for more details.

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\*These had no effect on recovery, despite the different outcomes for substance users. The adverse effects of a history of seizures in the form of alcohol use, past drug use, and use of medication for chronic conditions (hypertension, a heart of risk associated with hypertension) during this time.

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# Mechanical Innovations '81

The features of the domestic car market but an all-time record low in 1980 model year. With the exception of a few of the all-time favorites such as Chevrolet and Ford sedans, the only cars that scored at all were some of the more surprisingly sound current favorites such as Ford's Fairmont/Zephyr, Chrysler's Omni/Horizon and GM's X-body cars.

New, as the '81 model year draws to a close, the new car sales slump continues. It's almost as though American motorists were standing around waiting to see what is going to happen with cars, prices and gasoline before they decide on whether and what to buy.

## Import tide

The more immediate need that domestic auto builders had to face, however, was the need to stem the mounting tide of export automobiles from manufacturing what have long been building cars for 93-per-cent fuel and have become quite adept at it.

Bugatti news in the '81 crop of cars centers around the automobiles that have been brought out to give domestic buyers alternatives to the large crop of offshore products, and probably the most important of these will be the '81 Ford Escort/Mercury Lynx.

The engine in the Escort/Lynx is a small 1.3L or 1.6L four-cylinder 4-cylinder with single overhead camshaft that operates two rows of valve lifters offset

to supply lift to two rows of valves set at about a 45-degree angle to each other to facilitate the flow-through type of induction needed to give this engine an additional 15% efficiency over other valve configurations.

## New application

While the principle of the hemispherical firing chamber is not new, its application as a weight-saver in a transverse-mounted front-wheel drive economy car is new. A larger, heavier engine would have been necessary to deliver the same power as other configurations.

The Escort/Lynx is designed to compete head-on with the Rabbit, Accord, Torso and the rest of the small PWD cars in the \$600 to \$800 class and it will probably be as successful, depending on the price sticker. Ford engineers expect it to deliver about 36 mpg, imperial on the city and 54 on the highway.

## The X-car

Another significant new automobile in '81 is Chrysler's X-car—the Dodge

Aries/Tyrenth Reliant. Pinning that name be mentioned about the X-car is the styling. These cars are kinematic in both their two-door and four-door versions as well as the wagon. Chrysler stylists have just gone and proven again that it is possible to build a small car large enough to contain five adults without making it look like an orange crate special. True, it's not nearly as small as the Econoline, but it is really necessary for economical cars to be that small.

The Aries/Reliant is powered by a 4-cylinder engine of Chrysler's own design, weighing only 225 lb. That's only half the weight of the engine used in the Aspen/Valent. That engine, too, is a cast iron block design with aluminum head and overhead cams. It will generate 84 hp at 5300 rpm with 111 lb-ft of torque at 3400 rpm. A lower engine from Mitsubishi is available.

Neither the Escort nor the Aries is likely to bump up any track records with zero-to-whatever accelerations, but neither is meant to. These cars are designed primarily for economy with sufficient power for safe operation in the driving and passing modes.



### Escort/Lynx

Rear suspension is fully independent with control arms, modified struts. Lack of side beam should give the rear firm, smoother control in turns and during steep maneuvers.

### Escort/Lynx

Instrument panel can be dismantled with the removal of three screws.

### Escort

New Escort will have an instant readout fuel display that will show instantaneous and projected range on remaining fuel. They call it the MPG Sentinel.

### Aries/Reliant, Escort/Lynx

Clutches adjust automatically. This means the clutch is always set up and wear is brought to a halt.

### Escort/Lynx

Reactor tanks in rear flow rate are glass reinforced nylon. Joints are gasketed, bolted together. Radiator fan is electric, thermostatically controlled.

### Oil brakes

Some of the top models have brake, clutch and hub assembly with low drag caliper and quick take-up master cylinder. When brake pressure is released, the piston and pulls the piston back into the caliper bore for minimum contact pressure. The variable brake drag, maximum mileage.

### Impertal

New Impertal is an all-out and out luxury car with a gas tag to match, but Chrysler offers a full service warranty for an extended period, like 30,000 km, during which time even the oil changes are free of charge.

### Conflic

Low pressure throttle body fuel injection means low fuel consumption that lead fuel to the throttle. Sensors tell data to a digital processor which combines information such as engine speed, engine temperature, pressure, both barometric and manifold, and computes the fuel pulses necessary for optimum performance. System is fail safe, which means failure of a sensor causes the computer to disconnect the offending com-

ponent and substitute a minimal value. The engine keeps running well enough to get home while a warning light tells the operator to get it checked. Cadillac engineers claim accuracy for this system is absolute and that any variations would be within a lesser unit. The system adjusts to one fuel intake, air flow and air flow. It's said to be tamper proof. GM engineers believe it to be the best system of its kind as available.

### Big big cars

Big 4-speed automatic for the GM lines have no over drive ratio of 47. Torque converter has a clutch that engages at cruising speeds, disengages for acceleration and coasting. The clutch is controlled by a computer which also controls fuel mix, air flow for maximum efficiency.

### Aries/Reliant

New 2.1L overhead cam 4 cylinder engine weighs only 265 lb. Head is cast aluminum, block is of modular iron. It will develop 84 hp at 5300 rpm. Engine has only two gears. All other parts are made with the use of casting components. All service areas under the hood can be reached from the top.

### Escort/Lynx

Front wheel bearings are self-lubricating, do not require packing.

### SAAB

An octane sensing turbo system in front SAAB adjusts wastegate to either increase or decrease boost depending on the pressure the fuel being used can stand without detonating.

### Escort/Lynx

Engine is 4 cylinder single overhead cam from with flow through induction. That is, all entering the cylinder and exhaust gases leaving it flow in almost a straight line. This is achieved by placing intake and exhaust valves at about a 45-degree angle to each other. The valves are activated by roller arms

extending both ways from a centrally located camshaft. Engine head and intake manifold are aluminum. Gaskets are welded using electron beam. Main bearing caps are not in block apices extending from between the cylinders down to a flange after the center of the crank. 1.3L engine generates 68 hp, 101 lb-ft, 96 hp



## Look what's happening to mobile sound

by John Phillips III

There's never been a better time to try auto sound equipment. Sound like a salesman's pitch? Perhaps so. But if you're in the market for mobile high-fidelity hardware, you'll no doubt hear the salesman make just that claim, and for once the statement will be entirely true.

Auto sound, in 1990, offers options and bargains that would be PT Tupperware good. With nearly 100 manufacturers competing for your dollars, and with numerous electronic corporations like Pioneer, Jensen, Craig and Panasonic, along with newcomers such as Alpine

Living, Ariva, And, Bose, Convo-Vega, Kenwood, Marantz, Matsushita and Sony entering the fray, the auto sound marketplace. What's more, those companies, many of whom have applied home entertainment technology to their auto sound offerings, are so hungry for the true hi-fi market that prices (hold on to your hat!) haven't really increased. The dropped \$300 AM/FM cassette deck of, say, 1978, today excludes a host of luxury options and substantially improved performance at just about the same price.

And if that's not an incentive to buy, consider this: 1990 is the first year that

brand name manufacturers have dropped the specifications themselves which typified their advertising and sales tactics for the last five years, and have adopted a code of ethics which should make comparison shopping less reliant on the old hope-for-the-best method.

That's best place to start shopping is in your living room. So, decide exactly what you need, based on your listening habits, by selecting the rock-bottom best elements from the top product categories we've listed below.

Next, drop a maximum of \$300 into

your gear bag, then hit the streets.

There are only two items you need permission. You can shop at a normal audio retailer, whose primary sales are home entertainment items, for whom auto sound is a sideline. At that store, you'll likely strike the best deal price-wise, but installation and service may be up to your own inquiry. Or you can buy from a pro installer whose sole business is auto sound and installation of cars. If you're not mechanically inclined, or find your car may be a special case, we recommend the specialty retailer, at which there are great prices nowadays in any major urban center.

Only the largest, most complex auto sound concept is questionable. The trend today is toward radio-drive types with wonder and wonder—throughout the car so that the directional high frequencies are heard from your car, while the bass emanates from a major source location. Such systems are obviously more difficult to install, but are readily available from many sources. One of the best is Altec Lansing's AL-4, which offers the added luxury of a self-powered subwoofer. This five-speaker system sells for \$499.

The third speaker configuration is the surface-mount type, which, in the same implies, consists of a self-contained, fully enclosed speaker which is simply bolted to any available flat surface. Stereo, hi-fi, and Pioneer all offer dandy surface-mount speakers, though you'd be wise to remember that these speakers are not as good as they are so-called.

For most people, the heart of a complete auto sound system is the AM/FM receiver with built-in cassette deck. Options in this category are staggering, and prices range from \$100 to \$1,000. Be sure that the radio offers a number of station presets so that you don't have to search manually for music while driving. Kenwood. A number of tuners now electronically scan for stations in a programmed manner, a particularly useful feature in unfamiliar listening areas. With that option, your receiver looks onto each signal, gives you a chance to hold that station or reject it, then stores an "X" should you wish to keep it separate from the rest. And, some models, as well as Kenwood's new additions to their cassette tape line.

Marantz's CMB-302 and Pioneer's Hired RB-300 are both superb AM/FM

decks, priced at \$389.95 and \$448.95 respectively, and are typical of the sort of auto sound powerhouses.

If you don't wish to go to the heart of the all-in-one receiver/cassette, you can break down your sound system into its various components, buying only what you will use. For example, you can still buy unadorned AM/FM radios, to which without FM you aren't approaching hi-fi. If you go the simple radio route, we suggest you equip yourself with a local/distant switch. Receivers are sensitive enough that overlooking the input signals with too much signal is a regular occurrence, and it's important to be able to cut back the strength. As a nodder, it's interesting to note that AM radios (that's right, AM) may still be available next year, promising that AM stations still people use only for a while, so you might want to watch for that feature in the latter half of the year.

One of the best car-to AM/FM radios, by the way, is Blaupunkt's



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For those who find today's AM/FM stations cluttered with unpalatable dials, your best alternative is to buy a simple cassette tape player, either self-powered or connected to a separate power booster/amp. If you make your own tapes at home, that route is indeed attractive, and can save a tidy sum of money while eliminating radio commercials from your life. However, nowadays, look for a deck which offers playback of all tape formulations: LN, chrome, and chrome, and devices of auto-reverse options, that ensuring uninterrupted music, even when you're preoccupied with traffic stereotypes. Additionally, try to get a deck with key-activated so that the cassette is opened when you hold the ignition, otherwise, a tape accidentally left in the deck causes pressure on the pinch-rod and capstan, occasionally resulting in cassette jams in sound stages.

Likely the latest mobile component cassette deck on the market today is the \$399.95 Sony XPS-1, a direct descendant of the company's renowned home decks.

If you buy a deck or FM radio which

requires a separate power supply, then you'll also have to investigate power options. The power source can be mounted in the trunk or underdash, not to your sight. You should be aware that power amps pick up the signal at the source, while power boosters are usually connected to the speakers and amplify everything that's coming out, including distortion or extraneous noise. There's a difference there, obviously, of substantial importance.

The big question regarding amps—and this applies to all self-powered receivers and decks—is, quite simply, how much power is sufficient? Well, your power requirements depend, in part, on the efficiency of your speakers. But it's been demonstrated that the preponderance of people use only one to eight watts for virtually all of their listening needs, and pro amplifiers will tell you that 15 to 20 watts is plenty for anybody except the ones dead. What's important here is to find an amp whose power specification properly works per channel maximum average continuous power into a specified load over a frequency range with a minimum of distortion. Power measurements in peak power or music power are often misleading.

Magnum power amps on the market right now include Sony's 40-watt XM-1, and Pioneer's \$300 35-watt HPA-45 with new Dynamic Compliance circuitry.

And finally, category six, for want of a better description, can simply be called miscellaneous products, but it includes at least one item which you will have to buy—an antenna. Your best bet here is a pre-cut stainless steel 31-inch whip antenna, mounted on the front fender, connected with an short 4-foot lead to provide, your car will have any other car antenna wiring. Some clear of power antennas they require maintenance and are, often as not, devilishly impractical.

Also in the miscellaneous category, along with a plethora of equalizers, preamps, blam, worthwhile auto-deck devices and speaker enhancers, is a somewhat useful device called a graphic equalizer. Equalizers are, basically, sophisticated tone controls which increase or decrease frequency while maintaining another. While these devices can compensate for particularly poor car acoustics, they cannot improve the original signal source—they can only alter the signal, thereby making it slightly more acceptable. If you desperately need this, you're in luck. Buy the best. More than that is likely superfluous.

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Women buyers:

## The trend-setters for the 80's?

by Wayne Lilley

There's nothing quite like massive losses of the sort recorded by the auto industry in the first half of 1982 to send companies back to their collective new-product drawing boards. And while they've been scrambling with X-cars, J-cars, K-cars and like-like to cope with the biggest market downturn in their history, they might well have avoided the agony had they paid more attention to women's preferences over the past five or six years.

As it turns out, the smaller, more economical, better handling cars that most companies now hope will be their salvation and which have miserably kept foreign auto makers' sales soaring already have been precisely the kind of thing many women have viewed as personal transportation all along.

But it's taken Detroit's cognate time to digest that information, now that the numbers have all been crunched, the growing importance of the women buyer is sure to affect future sales efforts by the manufacturers and their dealers. According to Dr. Marilyn King of Ford Motor Co.'s market research department in Detroit, in 1972 women accounted for 21% of all new car sales in North America. But last year purchases by women accounted for 34% of sales and a market worth \$30 billion in the US alone. "Obviously," says Dr. King, "we prefer to make it a group that has this kind of purchasing power."

### Wives, too

The numbers for the growth are double-digit and to social and economic change that has seen more women working for higher salaries in the last 10 years. But Dennis Snowdon, a former Ford of Canada executive who now spends Sweden Ford Sales in Burlington, Ontario, has noticed the growing influence of wives on families' purchases as well. "Women are the traditional shoppers in the family and in many cases they're the secretary executives as well," says Snowdon. "I see wives, the trade was the wife supposed to know all about buying the car. But

with the rising price of buying, the economics of buying is more important to the family budget and we figure women may influence as much as 80% of the decision to buy." As dealers, as recognition of their importance to the industry may be, it seems to me inevitable how they are perceived by companies and dealers serving for their business, they could

growing mind toward independence and tougher bargaining, and we bet the salesperson who fails to respect the female customer. "Now they come to alone and they arrive in a, I'm a woman but don't try to take advantage of me because of that."

Dr. Tolson, sales manager at Regan's Chevrolet Chrysler Dodge Ltd., also experienced the same mood and attributes some of it to the greater number of courses for car owners which are being attended by women and more information on car ownership and maintenance that is aimed at a female market.

### Perspective

Macmillan concedes, however, that dealers will have difficulty concentrating on some aspects of car ownership as women. For one thing, he notes that there is a difference between what a female customer and male customer perceive as a fair price for repairs. "One of our mechanics was giving a course for car owners and he asked how much each spent and whether the amount was considered a lot or not very much considering the work done," he says. "One woman reported she spent \$90 over a year and she thought that was too little. A man in the course spent \$600 and argued that was reasonable."

The point is, though, that dealers are making their personnel available to give such courses through such associations as community colleges and in high school night classes. Nevertheless, Detroit has responded as well, as evidenced in the new generation of cars entering in showrooms this fall. And if there's one new something to the growing class of women buyers as Dr. King says, there's perhaps even an outside chance that other aspects of car ownership could be in for a general swamping as well. If service facilities improve, for example, it may well be that drivers will owe a debt to the much (and lately) maligned woman driver.

become an even greater influence on the way cars are built and modified, according to a Montreal Dealer. In fact, he says, they may have already. "Women like the idea of one price which they can use in comparison shop. When we price out that our price includes things like a rear-window defogger and even a radio in many cases, we think we have an advantage over domestic car dealers who ask extra fees for such things."

### Color-coordinated

In the meantime, there are suggestions by dealers of domestic car companies that luxury or positioning women consumers as buyers of suits, color-coordinated cars as a thing of the past. At Macmillan, sales manager at Crown's Term Turpin Pontiac Buick Ltd. for 10 years notes that Ottawa's large population of women working in the civil service has always made a strong female market in the city. But in the last few years, he says, there has been a



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part known to authorities and never charged. There was also a woman involved in the Cross supercop story. Her name was contained in the first version of Ducharme's report presented to the PQ government but expanded, apparently at the government's request, from what was intended to be a public release of the investigation. The Ducharme findings were summarized in an article published by a semi-annual criminology review of the Université de Montréal. Its author, Jean-Paul Brodeur, had clearly assumed the inquiry report would have already been made public.

Ducharme's conclusion that one of the two men convicted of murdering Quebec Labor Minister Pierre Laporte was not even present at the death underscored the cover-up maintained since 1970 by the terrorist members of the Front de libération du Québec. Their vows of silence and solidarity may have caused the underscored conviction of Paul René Blais for the hysteria of the crime in placed mostly on the police—municipal, provincial and federal—whose errors and misapprehending led to suspension of normal civil liberties and the virtual military occupation of Montreal, Quebec City and Ottawa. Brodeur's leaked summary, says Ducharme, "reflects the hypothesis of orchestration of the crime at the political level according to a pre-determined plan and supports the theory that it was a rejection by political authorities to police initiatives taken as a climate of panic."

Revising Montreal's police needed the police to place its hands and feet in the early days of the crisis, its search for Cross was buried under 1,500 useless calls a day. It was the police muddle that prompted Montreal authorities to mortgage taking Ottawa to promulgate

Hornell: The facts and the F.L.Q. were plausible



draconian regulations under the War Measures Act, according to the report. And it was the provincial Société du Québec that, independent of the Canadian Armed Forces to intervene because too many of its officers were tied down guarding public buildings and individuals. By the time the police sat down to draw up a list of those to be arrested under the War Measures Act, they realized their 30 suspects were too few to justify such drastic action. So, says Brodeur, they "redefined the problem to fit the means they had in mind to solve it," and asked the RCMP to identify enough arrest targets to justify a massive roundup. Eventually, 500 persons were arrested, all but a handful without cause other than their presence in 1967-68 as leftist sympathizers.

Ironically, in reporting the government's conspiracy theory the Ducharme findings once please PQ sympathizers. Said the legal counsel Robert Lemay: "This circulates the theme of some of our intellectuals who said that such a crime could not have been the work of our young Quebecers and that it was imposed by the system to undermine our liberation movement."

David Thomas

## Voice from a forbidden land

Don imagine Brian Mulroney doesn't like to see Joe Clark. Yet there was an undoubtedly a less and lazier look about the man last Thursday when he let fly his first public critique of Progressive Conservative policy since finishing third in the 1976 leadership contest which Clark won, partly because he was the only finalist not from Quebec. Mulroney, of course, is from Quebec and has long believed his special sort of bilingualism—a voracious English fluency by the barons of Westminster and a nasal French steeped in the working-class grove of Saint-Gabriel—can be the Conservatives' entrée to the forbidden province. Apart from angling his own return to the political theatre, Mulroney's message was that Conservatives must found a provincial party in Quebec to challenge Premier René Lévesque's Parti Québécois and Claude Ryan's Liberals.

Mulroney personally acted as his own press agent in editing selected news media to his speech in Montreal to the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, just one day before Clark's two-day symposium of Quebec Conservatives in search of a party. Now president of the Iron Ore Company of Canada, Mulroney insisted he has no intention to resign his already precarious perch and that the strength of his talk



Mulroney: Rebellious and outspoken

was fortuitous. But for Clark, who found a leadership review at the party's February convention, Mulroney's remarks were inauspicious.

"With few if any exceptions, the Conservative party has been assigned to the Opposition benches for one reason alone: its failure to win seats in the French-speaking areas of this nation."

"The national Conservative party was almost totally absent from the referendum debate and the process of constitutional renewal."

"In the Liberal party, Quebecers have always played key and substantive roles in leadership. Voters aren't stupid. They know this. Such is not the case with the Conservatives—and the voters know this too."

"As a young and talented new generation of Quebecers begins its remarkable transition to the Liberal party and the age-old process continues, thoughtful Conservatives in Quebec must begin to wonder about how it might have been."

Perhaps, for Clark, too. Mulroney thinks too much.

David Thomas

## Manitoba

## Throwing it at 'Dirty Bob'

Throughout his nine-year political life, Robert Wilson, 46-year-old MLA for the Winnipeg riding of St. James, has been known as something of a maverick. He had such nicknames as "Bookie" and "Junior" until, as a victorious enemy of the former NDP administration, he garnered a reputation for colorful cockroaching—and came to be called "Dirty Bob." The political pugilist has six years' experience as best politician because a director of the



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Winnipeg Convention Centre, a Manitoba organizer for Paul Hellyer in 1976 and chairman of the legislature's economic development committee. In private life, the chubby-faced owner of a build-it firm was something of a smuggler and hell-raiser.

To the delight of Wilson's enemies, he would begin to disintegrate last September when he was fed in handcuffs to the Winnipeg law courts building. Following an extensive drug-trafficking investigation by U.S. and Canadian police, Wilson was banned from the Conservative caucus by an acutely embarrassed government and was ordered to an office of his own. He became a political pariah and his relations worsened when, during a bar bating last January, the Crown accused him of trying to tamper with key witnesses. Prior to the trial the star paid its day's witness, 36-year-old former schoolteacher William Wright, \$1,000 to move out of the province. Wright was back last week, surrounded by bodyguards, as the bizarre trial entered its second week.

Crown Prosecutor Steven MacFarlane, in opening the case, said he hopes to prove that Wilson was involved in financing a conspiracy to import and traffic in Colombian marijuana, smuggled from Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Two shipments, ranging from 60 to 500 lbs, were seized between Jan. 3 and Sept. 25, 1979. MacFarlane also wants to prove that Wilson made arrangements to launder money from drug deals. The tall, good-looking Wright has been given immunity from prosecution in return for giving evidence against Wilson. He told a packed courtroom last week that he became involved in drug smuggling after meeting former Winnipegger Ian MacDonald in Fort Lauderdale in late 1978. Wright said that MacDonald, a heavy drinker, urged the drugs and Michael Gaherty, millionaire president of the Winnipeg Jets, 5-

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raised the operation MacDonald wanted him that if there were any dirty dealings "the firm would come knocking at your door."

Wright said that last May, MacDonald came to Winnipeg to collect money still owing on a \$96,000 drug payment and asked him to bring \$50,000 outstanding to a house at 2 Madrigale, where the door was opened by a man introduced as Wilson, who asked if he had brought the money. "I'd never met the man before and I was very nervous," he said. MacDonald took possession of a paper bag filled with "street money," and when he asked about Wilson, MacDonald said he was not to worry because "part of this is his money."

Wright says he left the money, but was raised later and told it was \$600 short. He returned to Wilson's house to find the money had been sorted into \$1,000 piles on a living-room table. When they declared it was \$600 short, Wright testified he accused MacDonald of being a crook. Then Wilson stepped in to defend MacDonald and began talking about a planned drug deal involving 500 lbs of marijuana, which could be flown into a private airstrip owned by a "friend." The friend turned out to be provincial court judge Charles Hahn, who later testified that he had a "working acquaintance" with Wilson, and that he did own an airstrip, but sold it last November.

Fourteen people were originally accused in the conspiracy, but only five names appear on the indictment. Of those, Ian MacDonald, charged custody in Florida, 31-year-old Steven Brady, a professional gambler, has been released by U.S. authorities and Brent Thomas Cohen has disappeared. The fourth was, Colin Straker, who earlier returned to eight years in jail.

Wright also testified during Wilson's

trial last week that he lost a notebook containing information on drug transactions and may have left it at Wilson's home. The Crown claims pages from the missing book were found in Wilson's business offices during a raid. Exhibits included portions of the notebook and bank documents. Even the photos of the Conservative caucus room in the legislature were seized by the RCMP. In tough cross-examination, defense lawyer Jay Prober attacked the reliability of Wright, suggesting he had pushed drugs among students while he was a teacher and pointed out discrepancies in facts, figures, names and dates. He charged that Wright had difficulty remembering things because he was befuddled from taking marijuana and cocaine. "You know what this man is facing," he shouted at one of the high points of the trial's first week, pointing to Wilson who occasionally stopped scribbling notes in the prosecutor's bar to swing them a can of Pepsi. "You know the minimum sentence is seven years and you know it when you made a deal with the RCMP." Peter Carlyle-Gordon

## New Brunswick

### Double trouble —power bubble

After a visit to the America's Cup yacht races in Newport, R.I., last week, New Brunswick's peripatetic premier, Richard Hatfield, returned home to join the other Maritime premiers and federal Energy Minister Marc Lalonde in slaking a craft they deemed unseemly—the Maritime Energy Corporation (MEC) in Halifax. Words at the St. Andrews meeting, the

Leprun under construction: It's up to 8 ft



Leprun nuclear pile: a concept nullified

never-quite-launched corporation had been "overlaid by ions, electron changes in attitude." Translation: federal inertia plus Nova Scotia's and Prince Edward Island's chairmen about New Brunswick's trouble-dogged Point Lepreau nuclear plant, which the MEC would have made its first project, but scuttled the concept. And New Brunswick was left still shuddering the nuclear cost, now estimated at \$1.16 billion. Nor was that all the bad news.

In Fredericton, meanwhile, the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission had received notice that a major customer, the Marine Electric Power Company (MEPCO), had started legal action to break a 10-year contract to buy up to 40 per cent a year of the output from New Brunswick Power's 1,000-megawatt thermal plant at Colebrook Cove, near Saint John. MECO's release in Ottawa's decision to reduce, and eventually end, its \$93-per-barrel subsidy on approximated 5 million barrels of the oil New Brunswick imports each year to power its power, not for Canadian use but for Americans. As Lalonde said in September: "We're subsidizing the American consumer to the tune of about \$60 million a year, and that has to be stopped somehow." While officials believe they can negotiate with Ottawa and Maine, New Brunswick's potential loss includes \$25 million a year the Americans pay against Colebrook Cove's capital cost. And Hatfield, who had begun to look like the power broker for three provinces when he left Leprun and the Maritime Energy Corporation were just bright ideas on the drawing board, now seemed faced with a power surplus. But it was scarcely the kind that would compete for his mind: less of political storm, more New Brunswick. David Foster

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## A sad gay at Bishop's

When Darus Westman decided to come out of the closet, the popular second-year biology student did it unthinkably enough by securing a secure in the Bishop's University Daily Advertiser but fall, seeking members to form the Gay Students Alliance. He quickly discovered that while several deans may be counted in psychology classes at Bishop's, it is not necessarily tolerated on campus. At least some of his 300 fellow students at the local English university in the heart of Quebec's rural Eastern Townships took the initiative as a challenge against the institution was threatened, banned and then badly beaten up one night while taking a shortcut across the college golf course. And last week he was being threatened with worse, following distribution of the annual student handbook, when readers discovered his 112 pages of sub-

vice about how to find lecture halls and where to go to eat or have a beer included a few special tips for homosexuals. The handbook's editor, Darius Westman.

Nothing had happened like it at Bishop's since the kaiser was burned in effigy during the First World War—except that the sinister shadows cast by the handbook's bordering text, which hundreds of students read their copies, marked more of the Hitler era. In what was professor described as "a pretty scary reaction from students who don't even remember the 1960s," participants tore up their handbooks page by page, denouncing it "as 'gay propaganda'."

The first listing in the legal information section was "Police harassment of gays." The lead item under cocktail bars was: "Lamerville has no gay bars." And the main advice in the class section read: "There is only one gay dog in the area... the atmosphere is a little rocky and artificial but you'll probably feel safer here than in any of the straight establishments." According to the student council President, Ian Penwell, the major objection is not to Westman's



Westman, right, took-burning, putting him on shock and Bishop's into the dark ages.

sexual preferences, "but students feel it's being rammed down their throats they feel cheated that they paid for these handbooks in their fees." Yet stu-



dent reactions, Penwell feels, "almost puts Bishop's back in the dark ages." Gory Cutting, director of student and community services at nearby Champlain Regional College, which shares the handbook with Bishop's, said Westman "had to have known what

would happen" before he put the book in print. "This may not be the reaction of a healthy intellectual community, but it's reality." Both campus leaders said Westman's greatest abuse of the students' money (no other fee was paid \$700) was including "gay graphics"

while omitting such useful things as off-campus church and hospital services. However, Westman, the man in the eye of the storm at Bishop's, insists "there is just no truth" in allegations that he used the handbook to get back at students who oppose his homosexual views. "There was nothing underhanded, no tricks.... I did the job I was hired to do."

But responsible students and their leaders were wary of what else might follow when they picked up the latest issue of The Campus last week. Student writer Clary Giddis—[Western] is a real kind I don't stand referring to as a 'big'—said an anonymous letter signed by a fictional "Mike Lemon and the Disciples of Santa Brigid." "This time we will make sure he will think long and hard in the hospital of his last lucky." Admitting he is "a little shocked" at the strength of the student reaction, Westman, who comes from nearby Richmond, insists "it could happen to any unpopular belief. They're trying to stop the spread of ideas.... I don't think students would do that."

Joan Cotton



## Kramer versus the bandits

While Bart Reynolds pulls down into the screen across the province with his latest bad-driving, fast-talking film, *Smoky and the Bandit II*, outpoker Saskatchewan Highway Minister Bill Kruger has been coming to a slow boil. Not just to keep his often chosen against in himself, Kruger is annoyed by the movie's glamorization of reckless driving and flaunting of the law. Such has his department spends more than \$11 million to promote safe driving, money he thinks gets wasted when fil-

ms young men when into drive-in to watch Reynolds go through his feature-length demolition derby. Kruger believes statistics that indicate an out of every 100 young men between the ages of 17 and 21 will be killed in car accidents in Saskatchewan this year are bad enough without movie inflation for incentive.

"You might as well give them all a shot of marijuana when they leave the theaters," growled Kruger last week, after registering his disgust with the Film Classification Board. "Two-year drivers are taught enough to control without these sorts of movies made by producers after the law. Alamy Deller." His solution is to allow common sense to be used for more than sex and violence, or at least have the

movie carry warnings that they contain wild driving scenes. "To be honest," says Kruger, "I don't know of anyone who died in a because of sex."

Whether the call for censorship or warnings will ever make it into movie houses seems doubtful. Lynne Pearson, deputy consumer affairs minister responsible for the province's Film Classification Board, says rather dryly that Kruger's suggestion about carrying warnings is being "looked at." The problem is that for the past 40 years criticism for the board has been on violence and obscenity. "If you add smoking driving to the list, then the next question is where do you stop?" explains Pearson.

Not that, manager of Saskatchewan's weekend Drive-In, might come, but he still hopes Kruger keeps up with his all-of-the-end movie reviews. Bell says Kruger's statements helped to double the take on the movie before it finished its four-week stand at the 700-seat drive-in. However, Bell has put to witness drivers so infuriated with *Smoky II* or movie like it, that they drove away with tires missing. If legislators are going to worry about wild car chase on the screen, then Bell figures they would have to warn the public about the example set by Walt Disney Productions such as *Huckleberry Hound*. Kruger probably agrees. His four-year-old grandson has been wowed off TV's *The Dukes of Hazzard* after the young tyke wiped out trying to jump his tricycle off the neighborhood curb. Dale Esher

## Banktime for Bonzo

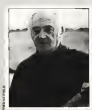
In his campaign for the presidency of the United States, Ronald Reagan has been getting an unexpected boost from a champion name of Bonzo and his brother-in-law, The Barkan, subsequently coauthored an original screen story for Hollywood based on the experiment, named the child. Bonzo and his wife today spend more and more of their time in Vermont, where he bought a house after divorcing his first wife, Nancy. Reagan's southern trip offered great relief in his four-year career and where he is currently writing a novel. If he was supposed to feel his old friend Bonzo acquiring political debt, an unfortunate and political opponents begin to think Reagan about his early-day date with

a child. Bonzo was quick to recall that as part of the picture deal he and Berkman had returned all commercial rights in the character of Bonzo. Bonzo the father-and-son act, Bonzo and Bonzo, which should guarantee that Bonzo comes up in November no matter who tops the presidential poll.

But if Reagan should be the winner, it might be sure if he could wear a fellow actor named Gene White, who also appeared in the movie, with some notable posing—say, a baby under-shoulder. The other *Smoky* grand has a bit of time to tell three days, as the barely blurring reputation in the TV commercial.

Michael Harris

Bonzo, and Reagan attraction poster Bonzo's real father Bonzo the air in Vermont.



**The Shining** **Shelley Duvall** played hysterical first-time mother Jackie Torrance as her husband Jack (Jack Nicholson) lapsed into a homicidal rage. The appallingly accurate depiction of the terror that comes from playing **Olivia** **Costello's** **Woman in the Moon** **Paper** in the **Robert Altman** film about the space-race-era moon landing. "My little guy" was took three hours to get into his space suit, and I was playing with his hairpin, his comb and his wig." "Then I had to create my week out of place like the drawings in the fancy paper work I'd collected." Duvall's performance won her a Best Actress nomination with **Tina Turner** with **John Cleese** and **Sally Kellerman**. It's the story of a young boy who travels through time and Duvall plays a character named "Mrs. T." who is a mother figure in various situations ranging from **Robbie** **Howard's** **Shirley** **Wood** **Forest** to the bridge of the **Titanic**. **Mini** **Duvall** will also costar alongside her father in the nostalgic **classic** **Kyle** **Chandler** **Get the Blues**.

**O**n his current album, *Humans*, born-again folk-singer Bruce Cockburn has a song titled *How I Spent My Fall Vacation*, but it's about last year's holiday in Europe. This year Cockburn's fall



**Cuvell preparing to put on big thumb**

throwaway plastic guitar instead of taking the chance of having the thing dumped in the river," says Morrow. But apparently Cockburn was making notes on a sequel song to last year's vacation ditty

**T**here's just too much drug-taking, drinking and partying in Los Angeles, so I'm moving back to Canada," explains comedian John Candy, 35, who is home again after appearing in 1912 and *The Rhythm Brothers* with friends Dan Aykroyd and John Belushi. The temporary return to his native Canada is due to the former *Saturday Night* performer, who is trying to shed 60 lbs. Candy confesses that late-night carousing and munching are his main demons, and that "when this booze is flowing and free it is difficult to say no." This fall, Candy has a new TV-movie show called *John Candy Comedy*. Guests include such celebrities as McClane Stevenson, Mandy Patinkin and Chevy Chase. Candy says he's along with expertly playing a demented character also took a pot in the face.

**D**uring meetings of Rochester, N.Y., world 11-hour days as a used-computer broker. So when he and his first friend **Richard Mielke** decided to take a three-week hunting vacation at Spanish Flamingo Wilderness Park in S.C., Hastings hoped to really escape from hunting pressures. Instead, he and Mielke found themselves the victims of nonstop harassment by a group of Greenspeakers who wanted their camp daily with cameras, microphones and video cameras. "We were harassed and threatened," says Hastings. "The sheriff and the NRC advised the park not to bother the Greenspeakers again." "They'd about as much 'Why are you hunting these lopers then?"



**Abuse Hottings** "But we were hunting some sheep. Here they are trying to talk about dwindling numbers and big bad game hunters and they didn't even know anything about the species!" Hastings and Miska each paid about \$1,800 in licensing fees to hunt for their prize stone rams, and Hastings estimates the total cost of the ventures at more than \$10,000. The Greenpeaceers even followed their quarry to the Vancouver airport for a "send-off." They followed an Amazon agency using sheep dogs to find the animals and started making claims of fraud and harassment. Hastings says, "Hastings who nevertheless claims to have enjoyed his holiday." "About the only bad thing I read back at those rabble-rousers was 'at least we don't wear pants like the you guys'."

**W**riter Roger Abbott, Don Brackbill, Don Ferguson, Luke Day and John Morgan got together to do some radio comedy night years ago, they certainly didn't expect to be doing the same thing today. The *Don Brackbill Show* on KGO's weekly comedy show has become a staple for thousands of loyal CBC-Radio listeners. With their witty imaginations, salty humor and off-the-wall barbs, the Air Force has infused sacred songs from Otisville to hockey with a uniquely Air Force twist. "Originally a radio comedy troupe, Air Force comedians have done a wide variety of material since then including *Sargeant Handker*, *Robby Chubb* and *Fucker Guzman*." "Our comedy has become more positive," claims Don Ferguson, the voice of *Pierre Trudeau*, *Joe the Plumber* and *Joe the Plumber*. "We do to do sit-downs, now we do stand-ups and the material is less topical." With the new season of Air Force shows taped, a new collection of their best stuff titled *The Air Force Book* in bookstores and an old record called *The Air Force Book* in bookstores. The company is now beginning an international theatrical tour, which will take them east then left and west in the winter. The show features such memorable songs as *Angel in the House of Commons* and *An Angel in the House of Commons* and an original song, *Working by God*. "Comedians have to make a point," claims John Morgan.

**H**andful of breasts is a luscious subject. But husband/wife co-authors **Daphne Ayala** and **Isaac J. Waisenberg** interviewed 200 American women about that very issue for their book titled (what else?)—*Breasts: A montage of women's breasts from adolescence to old age*, the book also presents accounts of how their breasts have affected these women's lives. "It's an attempt to show women who fall far short of the Playboy stereotype that they aren't abnormal," explained Mitchell-born Ayala. The project started nearly forty years ago as part of an art project. "Women would



talk about their breasts for hours," says Ayala, who is baffled by resistance to the book in the U.S. women's media. "Breasts is obviously one of the dirty words," suggests Weinstock. On Oct. 22, cbc's *Take 30* will air a panel discussion with the pair—a strip-tease artist, a breast-reduction-surgery patient, a boutique owner who caters to mastectomy patients and a model. Hostess **Wine Garter** was mollified by the potentially controversial subject. "I look at hips," she shrugged.

**T**ough 39-year-old **Phoebe Kennedy's** definition of America's Art can be undatable. It was her husband, Joe, who brought home the family's last \$1, Kennedy, who died in 1963 at age 81, built up the family fortune during the 1930's in Hollywood, where he was responsible for studio mergers and stock operations. He also entered into a "partnership" in 1958 with actress **Gloria Swanson** to produce an ill-fated picture called *My Darling Clementine*. Swanson, a former silent-screen star, who later appeared for him in a brutal film was never rescued and Swanson and Kennedy took a \$3-million loss in the midst of all of this effort—by night, Swanson claims she and Kennedy had a love affair, and she

reveals all in three chapters of her biography, *Stemason on Stemason*, which will be published in November. Last week, Rose Kennedy entered a Boston hospital for an intestinal operation and the faculty is said to have been particularly anxious that magazines and newspapers carrying news about her husband's philandering not reach her.

The honorable member from Hamilton—Wentworth, Geoff Scott, announced last week that "the bushes are being beaten" to make Pierre Trudeau the next secretary-general of the United Nations in a statement fraught with irony. "The bushes are being beaten," Scott said, "because they are very reliable, extremely reliable information." Scott contends that "close friends of Pierre Trudeau, notably his Minister of Justice and Helmut Schmidt of West Germany, have been helping Canada's prime minister comb the stacks among the Third World and European offices for Mr. Trudeau's candidacy as UN secretary-general." Though Scott, a Tory, admitted he was "speculating," he did suggest that most of the "bushes" were in Ottawa. "It is not the opportunity," he said, "that is being seized. The bushes are being beaten for the opportunity to make him secretary-general. The bushes are being beaten because they are waiting for to make him 'topped bush'."

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# Silver threads among the gold



Livergant (left) and Michael Burns, son of storekeeper, baronist at businessman

By Gillen Mackay

The late afternoon sun cast a golden tint over the grey waters of Toronto Harbour. Ferns skirting between the city docks and Cawthra Island created a picturesque backdrop to the three countries seated high above in a waterfront office tower. The mood inside the two-panelled office was equally glowing as the men conversed, each other as a deal that will work for such a coming point in his career—the proposed take-over, announced last week, of Canada's eighth-largest insurance firm, Crown Life Insurance Co., by the largest morning news and health care company, Endeavour Ltd. Although Endeavour (\$80 million in assets) will swallow the much larger Crown Life (\$1 billion in assets) by issuing about 25 million new shares of Endeavour, this is, in fact, a change example of what is technically known as a reverse takeover. Two families controlling 25 per cent of Crown Life—the Burns and Jodrey—will receive the largest block of shares, and hence they will become the new owners of Endeavour, rather than the other way around.

For Michael Burns and David Hestig, who will become chairman and vice-chairman respectively of Endeavour, the awkward duty of discussing their business deals in public gave rise to carefully worded hopes and points,

serious laughter. As a vehicle for their acquisitive ambitions, Endeavour is vastly preferable to Crown Life, which is strictly limited by federal law as to what it can purchase. Insurance, data processing (through Crown Life's 50-per-cent subsidiary), health care and real estate have been identified as areas for expansion. But Burns and Hestig are likely to prove cautious custodians of the wealth amassed by their families over three generations. "We're no General Electric," laughs Hestig, who is Atlantic regional director of Burns Fry Ltd., the prominent investment firm founded in part by Charles Burns, father of Michael Burns and Hestig's son-in-law. "We're an alliance of friendship and finance forged by their grandfather, Herbert Burns, was president and chairman of the Bank of Nova Scotia, which won the lifelong allegiance of Hestig's grandfather, Roy Jodrey, by giving him much-needed financial backing early in his career. A well-made Nova Scotia man shared confidence and publicity. Jodrey was reputed to hold assets of \$200 million when he died in 1973 at the age of 84.

As Burns and Hestig prepare to assume the power that is theirs by birthright, Harold Livergant, who has his own position in the game but his descendant position in the company he has built over the past decade. Now chairman and son of the largest shareholders in Endeavour, Livergant will become president and chief operating

officer of the new company. A tip, round man, with a cigarette perpetually hanging from his mouth, Livergant faced a problem insurance to successful entrepreneurs who possess little capital of their own. With its growth fueled largely by borrowed funds, Endeavour is over in need of the financial muscle that Crown can supply. And with some of the original backers of Endeavour looking for a way out of their investments, it was necessary to find a successor.

Livergant, 55, the son of a general storekeeper in Plunkett, Sask., made the crucial transformation from resourceful businessman in 1968. As the first director of the Metro Toronto Hospital Planning Council, he found that nursing homes were "being run very badly," and decided that he could both improve the quality and reward investors by forming a private chain. With a strong reputation for integrity, Livergant has been deeply hurt by the negative publicity that followed the deaths of 31 people last July in a fire at an Endeavour nursing home in Markham. Still, he makes no apologies for his enthusiasm over the fact that an aging population has made health care "a growth business." The same demographics are crystal clear to the people at Crown Life, who can appreciate that Endeavour, with its 20-per-cent rate of profit growth, is a prize. It is not a business that appeals to everyone, but Livergant is more excited than ever by the growth possibilities opened up by his new alliance. As a crisis spreads across his deeply furrowed brow, he says "Where else would I have so much fun?"

## The apple of his P.E.I.

"This is not only a logical step from renovations, to apartments, to office buildings, to malls, to hotels," Livergant says. "It's not yet, but Bernard Dale, 65-year-old property developer from Charlottetown, P.E.I., is the first to boast that he harbors ambitious plans for Canada's smallest provincial capital city. Supported by friends and family, Dale hopes to set up his wide-ranging portfolio of property developments with his company, and the city's biggest project so far—a \$20-million convention centre and hotel complex which, Dale says, "will benefit our city, the province—as well as creating 300 new jobs. And it won't detract from any local businesses."

A publicly shy man, whose office in Charlottetown doesn't even enjoy the services of a secretary, Bernard Dale has attracted a curious mystique during his



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18 years as an island developer. Acknowledging that his property holdings include full or partial ownership of numerous properties outside P.E.I., as well as including Halifax, Montreal, Ottawa and Atlanta, Ga., valued at about \$80 million, Dale is well aware that the local ruler may link his wealth over the years to many success—like most popular theory involving an alleged relationship with South African diamond magnates. "Preposterous," he counters. "I started off at ground zero like most everyone else. It was simply a matter of recognizing the value of proper financial management, as well as good profits at the bank." Not to get

Dale with convention centre proposal to alleged relationship with diamond magnates.

curled away, the Dale Corporation is hardly the Confucius Fairview Corporation of the Maritimes—indeed, the company's property portfolio is even small when compared to the Hoes Group Limited of Saint John, N.S., a leading developer in Atlantic Canada. Yet Dale has been able to convince city and provincial authorities that Dale Corporation has the backing and the expertise to proceed with the centre.

Still lacking to lift the project off the ground is a crucial federal government convention-centre grant—an activ-

passed \$1.8-million asset yet not yet over the bureaucratic hurdles in Ottawa. But last week, the Dale plan got a further boost in the form of a personal visit by U.S. hotel tycoon Eric Hilton who, Dale says, flew to Charlottetown in his private jet to hammer out terms and conditions of operating the convention-centre hotel as part of the Hilton chain. "Mr. Hilton had never heard of P.E.I. before I contacted him," says Dale, adding that the meeting "went well," and that Hilton now appears to be a co-tender along with several other chains interested in the Dale hotel complex. And for anyone sceptical to push-back the likelihood that the project will ever be built, Dale can point to last fall P.E.I. government approval to proceed with the plan, as well as an undertaking from the city to form property taxes on the remarkable waterfront site for the first five years.

Ross if built, would the project work? "We hope the magic of an island will appeal to organizations throughout Atlantic Canada," says Dale, "as well as the west as Toronto," says an over-enthusiastic Dale. An ally in Halifax, so far, among Maritime cities, has none, or, competing convention facilities, it's just possible that Dale's solution for Charlottetown may be not only a fair for the region, but situtable as well.

John Ramsey

## The Chamber comes home to boost

It was a busy juxtaposition of multi-ethnic last week in Quebec City. In an earlier, the muted strength of the Parti Québécois, muted and withered during a three-day province-wide policy workshop. Just up the street, beyond the St. John's Gate, however, speakers were trying to counter-balance the smouldering spectre of a grant and single flagging high above a row of city shops draped in red, white and blue cropes hunting—a still less as beamed from the streets of the Quebec capital, and tolerated last week only as the backdrop for the film version of *The Plouffe Family* currently in progress.

Here, smack in the middle of the idea of reviving vigour, was the Atlantic Chamber of Commerce, 500 strong, all order and stability, gathered at their 11th national convention in their traditional earnest attempt to put the nation right. Government deficits, public service strikes, constitutional breakdown—all of these were becoming outside the concrete bank of the Quebec Manpower Convention Centre—but at least the sons of Canada because was at the ready, poised to tackle the city of society. "Yes," ad-



Clark, dropped in red, white and blue hunting

mits retiring President Sam Hughes, whose five-year term as the chamber's first permanent general manager and spokesman ends this week, "the chamber has had to work a bit over the past few years to overcome a long-standing image of provincial interests and memberhood statements that we believe the work we've devoted to increasing the depth of our membership as well as our capacity for research and export activity has helped make the chamber a respected voice in public affairs."

There's no question that the chamber as the national level has gone well

beyond easy lobbying among white belts and manure pits. With a membership taking in all the corporations from institutional corporations to small local chambers made up of shopkeepers, the chamber today provides a bureaucracy—probably more than any other single lobbying group in the country—of providing national, provincial, regional, and local policy. It's clearly a multi-class perspective, flowing from a fundamental belief in private ownership and free enterprise, embodied with a conservative left-right Canada-bank-to-work philosophy. The range of resolutions passed at last week's conference, for example, calling for raising Canada's energy prices to world levels and as a counter to unemployment insurance benefits for income or maturity loans, are a clear reflection that the chamber feels to reflect the ambitions of all Canadians. "The problem," says incoming chairman Dennis Clark, 56, president of ICA Ltd., subsidiary of the U.S. communications giant, "is to find a message that is a positive statement to satisfy the chamber's main problem may be to find the consensus that flows into balanced, meaningful policy, and not just consensus that dissolves into dust."

Anthony Whitham

## Sports

# The Boys of summer and a vintage fall

By Hal Quinn

The boys of summer are back in the daily excitement, the constant rumour through September that two or three teams in a baseball league race. Nothing wins too soon and but one debate for a light on the first of October of the National League, 1890 will be remembered as a vintage year. This week, to the game of summer begins its 36th and final week, only two games separated the leaders in the Western Division, the Houston Astros and Los Angeles Dodgers with the Cincinnati Reds close behind. As if that were not enough, the Astros and Dodgers would play each other in their last three games. And in the East, the Montreal Expos lead all teams in 1979, they led the last game of the season to Philadelphia, and the Pittsburgh Pirates won the pennant. This weekend in Montreal, they will end their season as they started it with three games against Philadelphia. To the winner will go the pennant.

When the pennant race comes to Chicago, it comes via the winter's clubhouse. That's a baseball tradition, maintained last week when the Expos came to town. Back year the Chicago Cubs of the National League and the White Sox of the American field with the try on the outfield walk at the Cubs' Wrigley Field. With the approach of autumn, Chicagoans have come to watch their football Bears line and to ignore their hockey Blackhawks. That's Chicago tradition. "It's hard for those guys [the Cubs] to come to the ball park every day," Expos third baseman Larry Manbeck was saying. "They're about 30 games behind us and back, there won't be many more than 1,000 people to watch those games." But for the Expos, after 12 years of frustration, it's no longer hard to come to the park. They moved into first place ahead of the defending World Series champion Pirates and the Phillies on June 7, and since then have held on to the lead on a share of it for 74 days. They had come to Chicago after winning one of two games against the Pirates and led the Phillies by one-half game. "It's exciting," they would have two days later leading by a "1/2 game."

After the race of '79, the Expos decided to go for it in '80. They hired Ron LeFlore to run their race for them. Resolved with starting speed, LeFlore has come through with what Expos manager Dick Williams likes to call "an added dimension." Going into Chicago, LeFlore had stolen 50 bases. Before he had stolen 50 bases, he had stolen 41. Their total for 1979 was six more than any two-team teams had stolen in major-league history. But the LeFlore dimension has been missing of late. He crashed into a wall at Montreal's Olympic Stadium chasing a foul ball. At week's end, as the race heated up with the Expos playing three games in Philadelphia, LeFlore, out on his left wrist, was anxious and unhappy in his

role as a pinch runner. "When we get back to Montreal, the game gets this thing taken off I wanna play in those last games." Already back there was another of Montreal's crucial moments, right before the Veterans' Day by a pinch-hitter Max Velez, who suffered a fractured cheekbone and was out until July 10. He came back and raised his batting average to .311 before injuring his left leg. Velez's injury was "a game," he returned and added his average to .318. Then during a fly ball in St. Louis he

injured his left wrist. He crashed all the Expos games last week and yet not to be. "Everyone has been the only disappointment this year," manager Williams mused last week in Philadelphia. "Last year not one player went on the disabled list. This year we put five on the list if you count pitcher Bill Lee's two trips." One of Lee's injuries was pure "Spasms," an image Lee carries. He hurt himself touching into a wrought-iron fence when jumping to avoid a cut while jumping a rebel pitcher since his latest return. Lee led the Expos starters with 16 victories but has won only four games this year. Lee performed last week in Chicago. One of a half-dozen Expos pitchers to appear in 4-5-4 loss, Lee went to the mound in the seventh inning and induced in a pure sensory mistake with catcher Gary Carter.

Lee's oddball year, however, did open the door for Expos pitcher Bill Griffithson. Since the all-star break, the 22-year-old has won more and lost three and set a record for rookies by striking out 18 batters in one game. The veteran of the starters, Steve Rogers, 30, had a 15-11 record going into last weekend. But the oddball members of the Expos this year have been their relief pitching



Expos' Carter watches his home run off pitcher Carlton the crucial dimension.

As Hall of Famer and Expos broadcaster Duke Snider said, "The way to beat the Expos is to knock out their starters."

Today Scott was philosophic after losing the Chicago second victory in the 1-4 Expos loss last night. (The Expos was the first of the two-game series.) With the Expos trailing in the ninth inning, Scott came to the plate with two out and runners on first and third. "I couldn't think of the pressure at this point," he said. "I was just trying to get the game. I just said to myself, 'You are

either going to walk, strike out or hit the ball? I hit the ball." He hit it hard, a line drive to right field that was caught in the name. "When we win, we win," Andrew Goo-Rios the Dads in the clubhouse I got that an after the loss to Chicago to shake the guys up a bit, get 'em thinking."

But no newspaper could pen the drama that unfolded on the artificial turf surrounding the dust in Philadelphia. Gary Carter and David Palmer made just two bad pitches. "They were both hit for home runs. The second came on his first pitch in the bottom of the ninth. The Phillies were 2-1 and led the Expos by 11 games."

On Saturday afternoon the dust-covered Expos faced the league's best pitcher, Steve Carlton, 28. Mike Schmidt hit his 4th home run of the season in the first, but Carter tied it with his 97th in the second. The Expos eluded their way to a 2-1 lead by the seventh and Andre Dawson's 29th double knocked out Carlton. This time the switch was different. Woodie Fryman, 44, struck out the final Philie with two men on and Philadelphia hit the dust 6-3. The Expos were back within "it game" and pennant fever was heated for Montreal. ♦

## The invincibility of Freedom

I was a sense right out of Hollywood. Floodlights swept the wharf, fireworks exploded in the night sky, bursts of luxury motor yachts filled the air with throaty blasts. Australia had won its America's Cup best. Occasions such as this only seem to occur once each decade as this 129-year-old sailing classic draws hundreds of spectators, many of them Americans, cheered as the white-hulled challenger ghosted to the dock, brimming with supporters and crew.

As expected, however, it was only a brief moment of glory for the Aussie in the last-of-seven series, a momentary setback for the United States in their endless defense of the "Auld Mug." For the 29th successive time, the U.S. keeps the America's Cup, this time by a score of four races to one.

Britain, France and Sweden had also sent contenders to Newport, R.I., earlier this summer, but through a series of elimination races were sent packing by the more experienced Australian. However, the scullion through Joly and Azzurri did not recover the possible threat of a foreign challenger, but the apparent invincibility of Freedom, the navy-blue 12-metre, skippered by U.S. West Coast ace Dennis Conner. In the preliminary defense trials and the final selection series, Freedom had easily

outside her competitors, including the previous American defender Ted Turner and Courageous. Her campaign had not suffered, and raised cries of "professionalism" from many yachting critics who found it hard to stomach Conner's flamboyant training for what was technically an amateur event.

It was a cut-and-dried defense. Conner had the speed when he needed it, he simply let the Australians make the mistakes and minimized his own. The Australian move to a radically flexible spar just prior to the first race was a gamble that appeared to pay off in light air, but not enough was known about its heavy-wind characteristics for the challenge to matter its control.

Australian real estate magazine and syndicate head Alan Bond entered his third Cup assault better prepared than ever before, but his crew, led by veteran skipper Jay Mundy, still appeared to rely on gut feelings for key tactical decisions. The results were, not surprisingly, erratic in comparison to the Americans' data-based computer approach. Without Ewan Munro (fish of pen and lighter faced) to throw changeable tactics in lively French style, or Ted

Turner and his allies, which made New York Yacht Club blue bloods wince back in '77, the American Cup sailed on its usual vintage. Bond and Turner will probably not be seen in America's Cup circles again—the French millennium bring of the chase and Turner was totally consumed by his all-news television network based in Atlanta.

Technology continues to be the key to the U.S. string of victories. Changes in the Cup rules, which have traditionally protected American supremacy in that department, are currently being revised to allow U.S.-made sails, masts, electronic instrumentation and hardware on foreign boats. Carrots such as that, and an ever-sweet victory for Australia over the "Invincible" Conner in one race, are sure to keep interest in the event alive.

His relevance to the sport of sailing will be questioned on winter nights, however, by sails reflecting in the comfort of their armchairs. The 18 metres are an annual routine, resplendent in the setting of Newport Harbor, but poor representation of a sport that takes its cue from the sea and the wind, not the drooping of coasts.

John Blazynski

Freedom setting her spinnaker and stay line forward, Conner (right) cut and closed



## Media

### Ethnic TV alters its accent

The dark figure of a man Baylen briefly stole the screen. "But since I came to this country I've been sitting for all-night TV," he says in a heavy Portuguese accent. The scene is from a commercial for Toronto's first all-night TV program which was launched in September. And it is only appropriate that the man has an accent. After all, this is Channel 51, Multilingual TV—the station that got its license in 1978 on the promise of serving Toron-



Baylen, wife from a television game

to many ethnic communities. But the accent in the ad is about as far as the ethnic content goes in the all-night show. It's four hours of old American sitcoms, mixed in with comedy and variety—all in English.

Channel 51's energetic owner, Dan Jaramon, is convinced the Toronto area is full of frustrated shift workers—immigrant and Canadian-born—who years to play down a front of a TV show every night. He's so convinced that he is giving \$1.2 million of the station's scarce resources into developing a show for them. But some ethnic groups wonder whether the money would be better spent improving the backbone quality of the station's foreign-language programs, which the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) stipulates must make up 50 per cent of the station's day and evening programming (shown from midnight to 6 a.m. are exempt). Jaramon counters that his ethnic shows, which mostly feature church-brother-quality entertainment produced on shoestring budgets, will improve with time. "It's the idea," he says. "You can't rush it."

Some ethnic minorities, however,

would like to see Jaramon push it just a bit further. While they are pleased to have programming in their own language—Channel 51 broadcasts in more than 30—many say the station provides little of the kind of information immigrants need to get by in Canada—like how to deal with the Workman's Compensation Board, how to claim tax credits and how to find services they need in the city. "And social issues in the community are ignored—like battered wives and child abuse," says Elvira Garcia, executive director of Indian Immigrant Aid. Garcia says there are thousands of women from India, who speak no English and are stuck in their homes all day without TV programming that would help them adjust to their new lives. Wally Chung, general manager of 51pm Week Daily News, says that in his opinion Channel 51 is neither educational nor entertaining. "It's mostly just two people talking to a screen. And that's all," he says. For a long time, Marie Poit, who works for a group called Women Working With Immigrant Women, says programs provide little background in Canadian news and politics. Poit is angry that Channel 51 sits

in the heart of the city, but its programming is so bland that it's not worth watching. "It's mostly just two people talking to a screen. And that's all," he says. For a long time, Marie Poit, who works for a group called Women Working With Immigrant Women, says programs provide little background in Canadian news and politics. Poit is angry that Channel 51 sits

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17½ hours of airtime per week to American evangelists Jim Bakker and Pat Robertson, who solicit funds for their multimillion-dollar enterprise over the air. "This shows no respect for the fact that immigrants have their own religions," she says. "Why should they be urged to send money to these guys?"

With an ethnic population of 2.4 million in its 150-km viewing area, Channel 47 should turn out to be a lucrative place for 46-year-old Iannuzzi, who got his start running Toronto's first Italian daily newspaper. The cable-owned language-theatre/lingua franca—considered the richest prize left in TV—after a hotly contested three-year battle between him and two other prominent ethnic media figures, CHLQ multilingual radio-station owner Johnny Lombardi and Leon Kossar, who runs the multicultural festival, Wino Canavie. Iannuzzi says he and his backers have gone into debt to get the station started, but he expects to turn a profit by 1983-84. "Local growth has been well ahead of industry norms," he says in a slick promotional brochure. Things should get even better this winter with the introduction of satellite TV, which will allow Iannuzzi to reach ethnic markets across Canada, enabling him to increase his ad rates with very little increase in production costs. He hopes as well to expand into the lucrative non-ethnic special-interest markets opened up by satellite TV transmission—producing, for instance, a program in English aimed at squash players. "Television is expensive," he says. "But once we get going, the cash should flow."

One reason the financial picture looks good may be Iannuzzi's knack for keeping costs low. Many of the programs are put together by one person who single-handedly researches, produces and hosts the show, in addition to selling a number of ads. These "ass-to-seat producers" are paid only according to the number of ads that appear on their shows, and some find that after working 50 to 60 hours a week they end up with little more than the minimum wage. "I don't blame the producers for the poor programming," says Naldi Nones, a Chicoma who works for the Cross Cultural Communications Centre. "They don't have the time or the resources to do any better."

Most immigrants are reserving judgment on the all-right show until they see if the profits are funnelled back into ethnic programming—as Iannuzzi promises. Otherwise, some see the station's move as a way of increasing profits while ignoring the responsibility to the community it is supposed to serve. Comments Pardi: "That would be taking advantage of immigrants."

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New Yorkers Melodie Anderson and Stan Seneker did not want to face the imperiousness and hassle of a luxury hotel when they spent a week in Toronto this summer. Anderson needed a break from the pressure of her work as a psychotherapist and Seneker, a sculptor, welcomed the chance to explore Toronto's art galleries. Staying with fellow artist Joan Harne in her cozy three-storey brick house in the heart of the city, they spent a happy hour each evening chatting over breakfast and plotting the day's activities. "We had a wonderful time," says Anderson, "and Joan and Stan have so much in common." But Harne didn't even know the New York City couple before they arrived. Accommodating strangers is just part of her work as a bed-and-breakfast host.

Bed-and-breakfasts—only in Britain, you say. Not any more. Several years ago country dwellers, especially in the eastern provinces, began offering this traditionally British service. Writer John Thompson last year compiled *Country Bed and Breakfast in Canada*, listing 186 such homes. This summer, urbanites in Ottawa, Winnipeg and Toronto followed suit by forming associations of homeowners who are willing to offer a night's lodging and breakfast for \$50 to \$75 a couple—about half the price of a room in a major hotel.

Clean rooms can now be had in all manner of habitats, from Berris's comfortable city home to Doug and Nancy Sokolow's suburban renovated Tudor-style house, complete with pool, set on two acres of rolling land in north Ber-

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lington, Ont. "We'd like to have more homes right downtown, but that's not to discourage suburban homeowners," says Brian Campbell, co-founder of Toronto Bed-and-Breakfast. "Many people like the proximity of the suburbs—proximity to the city and outdoors."

Nomads Canadiana fondly remember stays in Britain's bed-and-breakfasts. Sometimes quaint, sometimes magnificent, the homes all too often suffer from a singular lack of hot water and a propensity of chilly drafts. But when bed-and-break guests master the courage to leap from beneath the covers into thick sweaters, they are rewarded with such abundant breakfasts of porridge, fried toasties, eggs, sausages, mushrooms, bacon, toast and steaming tea that they don't need another morsel until bedtime. Canada's urban bed-and-breakfasts, though modelled after their British ancestors, have a North American style. They are draft-free, have plenty of hot water and offer such epicurean delights as pancakes and maple syrup.

The appeal of the bed-and-breakfast is that they offer a less expensive alternative to the sterile luxury of big hotels and the complexities of tourist homes. Larger homes that accommodate about 18 guests and function as an old-fashioned boarding house. Local associations organize the homeowners. Kathie Bevil and secretary Kay Schillerfeldt of Ottawa Bed and Breakfast note that private homes have become a charming solution to the growing problem of urban



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accommodations. The host has to cook breakfast and chat with the guests; most tend to be friendly and outgoing. Many are retired couples and home-makers who welcome the opportunity to supplement the family income. For Tillson, Burgess, a retired motel business, and partner Will Orysa, past director of the Manitoba ministry of tourism, their Winnipeg association serves as a retirement project.

Joan Harris talks warmly of the guests who have occupied the small



Catherine and Rosell: a charming solution to the problem of urban accommodation.

brown-flower-papered room upstairs. "I've had guests of all ages, many of them teachers." Some American bed-and-breakfasters wouldn't dream of staying with strangers in major U.S. cities but welcome the opportunity to do so in Canada. "It's a marvelous idea," says Anderson, who left Bernie a bottle of wine as appreciation of her hospitality. "I'd love to do it in New York, but with all the crime it would be impossible."

Advertising is vital to the success of these associations. Spending little in their first season, the groups managed to attract business from across North America and Europe through media interest and travel bureaus. But attempts to establish similar groups in Vancouver by Pauline Scott and Bernice Lutzky were thwarted by the Greater Vancouver Convention and Visitors Bureau. "Reasons they refused me were twofold, my brochures weren't given out," says Lutzky, who believes the hotels were uneasy about competition.

Bed-and-breakfasts might offer some competition to hotels if they really take off, but at the moment their impact is hardly threatening. People who choose to stay in bed-and-breakfasts either can't afford or don't like the cold anonymity of the big hotels, which look the same in New Delhi or Winnipeg. An Indian Anderson says of her stay with Joan Harris: "I feel like I have a friend in Toronto now." Sarah Lawley

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## Sex, cancer and the perils of promiscuity

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In the Swedish study, Dr. Bruno Dillberg of the University of Lund discovered that 95 per cent of the partners of women who had cancerous or precancerous lesions suffered from bacterial infections. Of those, only one per cent had any symptoms. But Dillberg's study was not cut-and-dried in isolating bacteria as the exact cause. Of 50 women who remained cancer-free, 30 per cent of their partners also had bacteria in their semen. Dillberg suggested that a type of synergistic effect could be at work: that viruses such as herpes simplex type 2 (Mosses's, Sept. 8, 1986), also linked to cervical cancer, may be riding piggyback on bacteria.

The notion that semen, or something in it, is a cause of the cancer has been bandied about in medical circles for 80 years, including a study of Quebec nuns in the 1950s that found they practically never develop cervical cancer. "It's probably pretty sure that the endocervix is true, and sexually active women are much more susceptible," says Dr. David Boyes, head of the B.C. Cancer Control Agency. Susceptible perhaps to sexually transmitted viruses—such as papilloma, which causes genital warts, and which Dr. Alexander Mosses, head of the laboratory medicine department at Laval University in Quebec City, believes is a more likely culprit. While Mosses links the development of cancer cells and the papilloma virus, Boyes and others point the finger at herpes, which causes other venereal diseases

As well, as *Australian*, Dr. Malcolm Coppelton, has published findings within the past two years suggesting that sperm can penetrate cells in much the same way that they penetrate an egg for fertilization, and thus have the same capacity as a virus to alter cell structure and cause disease.

As long as the exact source of the dis-



Clarke (above), Mosses (below), Boyes, noting semen is the growing list of cancer-causing agents



ease eludes doctors, their only recourse is to recommend traditional solutions. Dillberg suggested the use of condoms to protect the cervix from any carcinogenic action by bacteria and pap smears for early detection of cancer. The widespread use of the pap smear in Canada has resulted in a steady decline of cervical cancer from about 20 per 100,000 in 1971 to about 81 per 100,000 in 1975 (the latest figures available). The Swedish

study also noted that when antibiotics were used to treat the bacterial infections in males, precancerous lesions in 14 per cent of the women disappeared. Although men carry the cancer-causing agents, they rarely succumb to genital malignancies themselves. Mosses says this is probably because, unlike the circumcised penis, the moist recesses along of the vagina provides a perfect breeding ground for bacteria and viruses.

Despite this inequity, a woman need not become a nun or a nun to avoid the affliction. Statistics show that women who began their sexual activity in their early teens, and those who have many sexual partners, are at greater risk in developing cervical cancer. Dr. Allen

**The Medical Post**  
**Semen may be cancer bearer**



Clarke, head of epidemiology and statistics for the Ontario Cancer Treatment and Research Foundation, prefers advice to fellow females that sounds as maternal as it is medical: "Postpone intercourse until the late teens or early 30s, and—once you start—don't sleep around." The dangers of heartache and herpes seemed bad enough as popular fear promiscuity, cancer is an awesome addition to the list. Diane Francis

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By Gillen Mackay

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Inside the factory, the air is reeked of greasy, skilled hands made the huge roaring machines through their intricate tasks of shaping and refining parts for McDonnell Douglas airplanes. But no matter how many hands are at work, there are never enough. Chucks, Rotums, Greeks and Britons run the majority of the parts, and by the end of the year 80 more workers will have been recruited in Europe. Another 34, mostly Canadian, are being trained. "I could easily employ 500 more people on my machines," says Hayik, who has a staff of 360 and sales of \$10 million a year. "I am losing \$8 million a month in sales because I can't find enough bodies."

This is what Keith Newton of the Economic Council of Canada calls the "real paradox." As unemployment hit 17 per cent in August, thousands of

commission. "We're talking about a need for 60,000 skilled workers. Existing training won't come within miles of filling that need." In fast-growing Alberta, which will need 30,000 a year for the next five years, it is already taken for granted that shortfalls will have to be made up through immigration, a solution that is risky (since there is no guarantee that Canada will be able to obtain the quantity or quality of workers it needs by shopping where skills are also in tight supply) and morally questionable, considering Canada's one million non-citizens.

While there is no consensus on how to get out of this mess, it is clear to see how it came about. Canada has traditionally relied on foreign-trained workers for its machinists, millwrights, tool and die makers, heavy-duty mechanics and other blue-collar skills. But tighter immigration and improved living stan-



dards abroad have cut back by two-thirds the number of skilled workers coming to Canada since 1954. As well, both private and public sectors neglected to train while the gang was good and have been slow to rise to the new challenges. Although most of the skills in question are primarily learned on the job, the federal government still devotes more than 86 per cent of its \$800-million training budget to educational institutions and Manpower programs that often bear little relation to the job market.

The biggest share of the blame, in the industrialized provinces at least, has fallen on industry for inadequate forecasting and a stubborn unwillingness to train. A 1980 national survey of 1,800 Canadian companies found that, while 60 per cent expected rising difficulties, only 19 per cent conducted training programs lasting longer than one year (it takes three to five years and costs \$20,000 to \$40,000 per worker to develop high-level skills). Although a few major firms such as Steel Company of Canada do an excellent job of training, small and medium-sized firms take on more than their fair share and need to lose their training workers to better-paying big companies. Even a

thriving government-owned firm, de Havilland Aircraft of Canada, has only three apprentices out of a total of 1,600 workers, says Bill Rasmble, vice-president of personnel and industrial relations. "I know that's not many, but there are companies much larger than we are that do nothing."

Despite evidence that training pays for itself and that fears of losing trained workers to competitors are exaggerated, industry is still not convinced. Typical responses to skill shortages are to cut back production and make do with under-qualified workers. Says Pollock: "I have spent a year prowling Ontario and Ontario hiring employers, using the argument that training is in their own interest. Quite frankly, I've been disappointed." The federal government has been similarly disappointed by the poor response to this year's new \$30-million Central



Training at de Havilland (left) and above: only three apprentices out of 1,600 workers

Trade Skills Training Initiative. Although the government will pay up to 40 per cent of training for skills in short supply, only 100 apprentices started up in the first six months out of a potential 7,000. Says Joseph Rasmble, president of the Machinery and Equipment Manufacturers' Association of Canada: "We've been fat and happy on foreign skilled labor for so long that it's taking a while to sink in that we have to help ourselves."

But while industry argues for more time, saying that mistakes can't be changed overnight, time is running out. Manpower requirements for the 1990s are so large when measured against the number of people currently in training, that industry may soon be forced to rise to the challenge. A new militant spirit is evident in B.C., where labor minister John Horgan has urged the need for better training into his rallying cry, and in Ontario, where Pollock warns that some form of mandatory training may not be far off. The Newfoundland government has taken a hard line on training in the offshore drilling industry where 50 per cent of the jobs,



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always the most highly skilled, go to foreigners. Newfoundland's hiring rules have been in effect for two years and tougher laws will be passed if Newfoundlanders are not trained and promoted.

One province opposed to legislative strong-arming is Alberta. With 35 per cent of the country's 185,000 apprentices and only eight per cent of the population, the province is proud of its training record. Earl Mansfield, assistant deputy minister of advanced education and manpower, points out that industry and schools are already "saturated to capacity" with apprentices and says the problem is not an unwillingness to train but the huge strain imposed by the province's growth and, it is expected, by mega-projects such as the tar sands plants and the Alameda pipeline. "What we want to avoid is what happened when Petrobrax and a few other large projects started up in Alberta. They sucked up so much of the skilled manpower that a number of small companies went belly up," adds de Hamill's Goodale. "What scares the pants off me is that we are seeing those shortages now in a recession. When the economy picks up and the mega-projects start going—then the pinching begins."

It is often said that society and an efficient school system have elevated the status of the professions and degraded blue-collar work, thus contributing to the skills-shortage problem. Skilled workers may still prevent a certain type of person from choosing a trade, but it is not holding back thousands of others. Both schools and businesses that train workers report that the numbers wanting to learn skills far exceed the training positions available. "There is still a stigma about working with your hands, but not nearly what it was," says Fred Jorgensen, president of the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology. "Our enrollment is growing and we can't accommodate half of these who apply."

Given this kind of enthusiasm, Canadians should have the opportunity to make up the shortages that now cause businesses to lose sales and advertise abroad for workers. As Robert Paul, president of construction giant Bechtel Canada Ltd., said in a recent interview with *Entrepreneur* magazine: "We have very high unemployment in Canada, particularly among the lower age groups, and these young people are not trained, they're not skilled. Something must be done to upgrade those people." This is not a problem over which Canada has no control, and yet there has been no concerted drive to correct it. If industry and government delay for much longer, their gamble may prove greater than the country can afford. ☐



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## Lifestyles

# Slipping into something a bit more professional

By Mike Macbeth

**C**arolyn Wick's boss thinks she's the most attractive woman in the office—and he takes pride in how he has styled her. "It was a dirty trick," says Bob Gann, president of The Boy Travel. "As a manager of training and development, Carolyn regularly visits all our branches. We had wanted to put our travel agents into a uniform, but for years they had resisted the idea. Since Carolyn is the best-looking girl on staff, we simply dressed her in the prototype uniform, and when the staff saw how terrific she looked, they jumped for it." He begins to smile, a homage to Machiavelli. "They forgot she'd look good in a pantsuit too."

Using her hair may be one way to hook employees on the merits of a uniform, but across the country more and more workers no longer need convincing. The individualist who seeks to express identity through clothing is being replaced by people who are willing to trade their own choices for company uniforms, blouses, suits and other cor-

porary apparel, particularly when management picks up some, or all, of the purchase price. From independent operations, such as Kmart Associates Inc. in Saint John, N.B., and Davis Pharmacy in Uxbridge, Ont. (where 30 saleswomen sport identical blue T-shirts and quilted skirts), to international franchises like the Century 21 realty company, white-collar workers across the country are wearing, or at least considering the merits of, a uniform. And uniform manufacturers report strong interest, not only from the same management of several major banks and insurance companies, but from the workers themselves.

Management couldn't be more delighted. Until recently employees have resisted company uniforms or slacks, although marketing departments have known the value of a "defined company image" for years. Companies react positively to uniforms. "The growth of franchising, coupled with the growth of professionalism, requires a consistent image. Uniforms give that image," says Bruce of Stone President Mike Arnold,

a Toronto uniform and custom clothing manufacturer whose business is up by 30 per cent this year despite an overall decrease in the retail clothing market. International companies like McDonald's are particularly convinced of the value of a consistent image. That's why the staff singing Big Macs in Tokyo wear the same uniforms as the hamburger helpers in Toronto, N.C.

Of course, the upper echelons of management have always understood the importance of image. Recent research, popularized in books like John T. Malloy's *Dress for Success* series, has told bosses what they already knew: that the traditional blue pinstripe suit—the uniform of the elite—carries the most authority of all colors and patterns. This fact is not lost as executives search restaurants. "One of the first questions I

Arnold (left, Wick below) had bosses for shock value, blue pinstripes for authority and the best to peddle office uniforms.



ask a candidate is, 'Do you own a white shirt, a pinstriped tie and a blue suit?'" says Kenneth Malloyne of the Toronto firm, Melville, Keweenaw and Associates. Twenty-five per cent will say so, and then I send immediately to the House of Stone, where Mike Arnold puts them into a tailored pinstripe that will gain a favorable response from the client." That the blue pinstripe suit has become the uniform of the prospective employee—and the prospective borrower. "I wear blue pinstripes when borrowing money from the bank or seeking a presentation to start insurance operations," says Arnold. "But if I'm selling the blouse program, or at a conference, or if I want to shock my clients, I'll wear blue." Arnold's would-be House of Stone blouse is a brilliant Maroon scarlet, as unobtrusive as a beacon. Most of the jackets he manufactures are more restrained. Even so, it was an uphill battle to sell a blouse program even three years ago. Says Arnold, "I up-

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One reason employees are more willing to shed their own clothes for a company uniform is because their apparel is no longer so individualistic or is predictably ugly. Today's corporate fashions are well tailored, versatile, stylish, sturdy and, occasionally, sexy. McInnes's female managers stick by a designer dress, just as long as the pattern isn't too masculine—women larger than a size 14 are relegated to ordinary slacks. Another driving force is the policy of many companies to subsidize or pay the entire purchase price of the uniform. (The Bay Trend, for example, pays half the \$406 wholesale price.) It is estimated that the average uniformed worker will save \$700 a year on clothing and cleaning. "Most career apparel is more fashionable and of a higher quality than the average employee could normally afford," says Toronto fashion consultant Sally Poirney, who was recently approached for advice by 30 office workers from Harris, Ont. "A good garment eliminates the compulsion to address other employees, prevents loyalty and enhances the employer's feeling of worth." And, in some cases, enhances the employee's feeling of worth. One such delighted employee is Verneice Drennon, 29, the treasurer at the Calgary Four Seasons Hotel. He no longer dresses in the baggy Alberta winter wool, thanks to a \$1,000 (wholesale) long-haired sweater coat designed by Poirney for Four Seasons Hotels.

But beyond saving money, some employees are aware that they, like their employers, may wear more money. Business, for example, are motivated to wear company uniforms by the lure of higher commissions. Large companies, like Century 21, with its gleamy gold blouses, as well as individual retailers like Harold Kinsdale in Saint John, have noticed that salesmen who wear the company uniforms gross higher sales than those who don't. Kinsdale's two-year-old company already has the city's most successful agents with a volume of more than \$45 million last year. He now insists that his sales staff wear the previously optional tan and brown suits. However, not all companies make their career apparel mandatory. "Our suits are less for corporate identity and more for staff morale," says The Bay Trend's Gam. "We had talked about uniforms for years, but didn't want our people looking like sergeants out of one another."

Still, there are many people who continue to believe that any uniform, no

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matter how fashionable, makes people look—and perhaps act—like sissies out of see machine Lynne Burns, 31, a Bay Travel agent on Bloss Street in Toronto, has refused to wear the outfit. "I went to a seminar in school and have only been out of a daily uniform for five years. I enjoy dressing up for the office. I don't want to feel I'm back at school." In Winnipeg, travel agent Dor Pollen agrees. "I like variety, and my mood decides what color I'll wear in the morning. I have 20 years of accumulated wardrobe worth several thousand dollars in my cupboard. I don't want it to rot there. My dress must reflect my personality, not the company's personality."

But so the economy worsens, other Canadians take refuge behind the company image—taking carefully considered pride, at least during working hours, in a job they can't afford to lose. "Canada is winning is the right, because we're conservative," says Arnold. "The growth of uniforms parallels our national insecurity. Belonging to something tangible, like one's work, is satisfying." Gans believes that, unlike a few years ago, his employees no longer think individuality should be expressed in work clothes. "People are making that leap; outrageous isn't appropriate or advantageous to one's career. Today, people express their individuality in different ways. They don't need clothes to tell others who they are."

Or perhaps, as Arnold puts it, "the uniformed worker wears his reinforcement on his back." In Saint John, where Kinada Realty continues to thrive and Country 21 has just sold its franchise, agent Martin Watt of privately owned Fairlane Real Estate ponders her future. "I enjoy working here," she says, "but I sometimes wonder what it would be like to work for a large, aggressive company that dresses its staff in uniforms. It's nothing worse—like uniforms is part of the image." And the image means security and money. ☐

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# Back room scheming in a moral vacuum

CRASHING ON POWER

by Jeffrey Simpson  
(Lynn Wiley and Jane Siro 85)

After the fall of Joe Clark last February, Canadians were treated to the unsettling sight of media-persons manipulating constructive self-criticism. Some did it together on television shows such as Toronto's *CITY-TV* The Shadow Pile where several political reporters regrettably associated their own contribution to the creation of the Wimp Factor in Clark's defeat. But though the regret was genuine and its focus legitimate as far as it went—yes, it was wrong to concentrate so much on the unfortunate physical presence of Clark and his own glibly solution of compensating for a Woody Allen department with a Christian Heiken voice—some observers had the vague feeling that the regret still missed the point. A feeling persuaded that something was dreadfully wrong with both politicians and media that neither seemed concerned about—something far more fundamental and malignant than a temporary failure or lamentable anecdote. This vague feeling is clarified with Jeffrey Simpson's examination of Clark's nine-month reign. The focus of *Crashling of Power* is a textbook demonstration of the overwhelming problem in politics today.

In terms of its own objectives Simpson's book is not only done well, it is done marvellously well. In his introduction he maps the perimeters of the book. "Politics," he writes, "is like an endless river winding its way through the nation's psychological terrain. Elections are the white-water passages..." This is an account of the two most recent white-water passages: the elections of 1979 and 1980. His interest is to probe behind the "public spectacle" of campaigns to give readers a glimpse of the private machinations and calculations of those who shaped the parties' campaigns. Simpson delivers. The plots of the Liberal and Progressive Conservative backroom boys are described and evaluated in a clearly reasoned, finely researched and compelling book. Canadian politics have rarely made such diverting reading.

The problem, however, is one of outlook. This is a book about seizing power. The Conservatives lost power, Simpson argues, because they did not understand



Simpson: all mechanics and manipulation

that in a consensual democracy gaining power is only the beginning, leading us to it requires compromise and flexibility. The difficulty is that Simpson, like the political parties themselves and almost all Canadian political commentators, has lost sight of anything but power. There is no good or bad. Morality has been replaced by utility. A policy is judged right or wrong according to its ability to gain or retain power. In *The Private Macdonnell* at least nodded to morality when he pointed out that right and wrong would have no place in his handbook. In our neo-Macdonnellism, such apologies no longer even occur to authors. What is missing from Simpson's book, and what journalists should have "regretted" omitting from coverage of this last election, is a guiding sense of value judgements.

It is difficult to fault a book for not doing what a reviewer would like it to do. But in the absence of even an acknowledgment to the contrary, one can only assume that Simpson, like most politicians, no longer considers morality an intrinsic part of politics. Value judgements are out in the cold-blooded technological pragmatism of contemporary statesmanship. For instance, it is Pierre Trudeau's performance in the defence of Canadian unity that Simpson admires. "His eyes flickered and his voice quavered with emotion, he was eloquent,

engaged, and electric..." Never mind whether his policies may have contributed to the unity crisis—it's charisma, right or wrong.

Of course, documenting what goes on in the back room is fine. It is also, by now, a genre in itself. Perhaps if the book set out to do only this, as it claims, there wouldn't be a fight to pick. But Simpson's book somehow conveys the impression that that is all there is to politics: greediness and manipulation, success or failure. Nothing else is fit for a sophisticated discussion of the subject, the rest is for naive undergraduates or naive ideologues, and not even worth a chapter. Simpson's reporting as *Ottawa bureau chief of The Globe and Mail* is among the best in Canadian journalism. But it is not enough to hide behind the label of "objective journalism" to explain why for journalists such as

## Survival on faith and human flesh

The Sacrament

by Peter Gougeon  
(McClelland and Stewart \$14.95)

There is now a genre of literary accomplishment known as the outdoor-erotic-nature school of writing. Peter Paul Read started it with *Adrie*, his breathtaking account of the survival of 16 Inuit people stranded for 16 weeks in the snowy Adirondacks after their plane crashed and forced to eat the corpses of their fellow travellers. Martin Reuber was rumored to be joining in with his book about Arctic pilot Martin Hartwell's date with exorcism, but his book has yet to be finished. And now, here is Peter Gougeon with *The Sacrament*, the story of a young Saskatchewan man and woman who survived for 39 days in the mountains of



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Greville: obsession with his Dairy Queen

Idaho by consuming the body of the woman's dead father. As the tale unfolds, the love now their act of cannibalism as a religious experience.

In May of 1979, Saskatchewan businessman Don Johnson, his 37-year-old daughter Donna and his son-in-law, Brett Dyer, 35, set out in a Cessna Skyhawk piloted by Marie Puchette for Bona, Idaho. The trip was partly for business reasons, and partly to pick up a puppy for Donna, a pretty blonde high-school student whose belief in God, writes Greville, was "no more important to her than her belief in the abolition of her beloved teacher." They never made it to Bona. Ten thousand feet high, in the middle of a turbulent storm, the Skyhawk crashed into a canyon, leaving Johnson dead, and Puchette, his skull pierced by the throttle and his brain matter hanging out, able only to struggle out of the wreckage and disappear down the snowy side of a mountain to his death. Greville's story is a cautionary tale for those who seek to pull themselves out of their injuries and gradually gain their strength, surviving physically by eating Donna's father, and spiritually by falling in love with God.

Although Greville's story seems begged down by an almost self-conscious attention to detail, some distracting "sociological" passages on cannibalism and an overly sentimental writing style, it cannot fail to compel while avoiding the emotional excess that two relatively blind small-town people (whose main obsession seems to be getting to the Dairy Queen) underwent. Dyer, a reformed alcoholic and mountaineer, experienced an almost ecstatic religious and domestic conversion, writing passages of "intense" love to his wife, Cindy, promising to make her "the happiest person I possibly can" when he got back. juxtaposed with these resolutions are bizarrely practical passages referring to their method of survival: "We have been dining fast, this piece of your dad is the way to use for food on the way out." The two even-

tually walked out of the canyon, and were reunited with their loved ones.

But the book seems to end on a curiously downbeat note. Greville does not really give satisfactory answers to the major questions: what were the psychological aftereffects of such an experience? Did the reformed alcoholic stay reformed? Did Brett and Donna continue their intense relationship? As in *Alber*, the long-term impact of the crash and the subsequent ordeal remains largely unexplored. But what does emerge, and register, in a powerful way in both books is not the means undertaken by the survivors to live on the mountain, but the vision it afforded them: they were given a second chance to live, and most of them used it to take a good, hard look at the life they had almost left behind.

Judith Thomas

## A shot of tequila, a dose of whimsy

STILL LIFE WITH WOODPECKER

by Tom Robbins  
(pseud.) 3-12-86

Whimsy in the paper rose on the line of sensibility, and not to everyone's taste. With his last novel, *Even Cowgirls Get the Blues*—a

serenid comic vaudeville to the wonderfulness of human potential—Tom Robbins acquired a cult following and status in the pantheon of whimsy. Interspersed among the footnote-esque epigrams and useful past are some heavy-duty thinking on living authentically. It aimed its arrows at dull minds, totalitarian impulses, the conservatism of normality. Growing up, it told us, was a trap. This was the voice of Peter Pan as grown—a trip to Never Never Land by way of the Whole Earth Catalogue.

*Still Life With Woodpecker* is subtitled "A Sort of a Love Story," and right away you know it's going to be cute as a bug's ear. Robbins' concerns are much the same as in *Cowgirls*, but missing that time are the multiplicity of outrageous characters and high-voltage storytelling. *Still Life* is more self-contained and more self-consciously a fable: in fact, a grand old leitmotif is the Grimm fairy tale about the princess and the frog. At its core is an ingenious theme on human evolution and the life-force: how a legendary rose known as the Red Beards' wood goes oversteering battle to ensure that farm's regeneration. In *Cowgirls*, Galicia had enormous thumbs and the same deep throbber; her life-force Pygmalion was a hermit known as The Chick. In *Still Life*, these roles belong to Leigh-Chen, a princess in a family of

deposed royals, and Bernard Mickey Wright, aka The Woodpecker, war minister and self-made world conqueror.

Aside from a shared prolepsis—the last quarter of the 20th century is not a propitious time far outlaws or princesses—The Woodpecker and Leigh-Chen have their redheads in common, a specific circumstance that binds them to their life-expecting Red Beards. The Woodpecker and Leigh-Chen fall in love "They kissed and giggled like cartoon mice." After a personal interlude where they share tequila and Winston Denskins, The Woodpecker and Leigh-Chen go on to probe that central mystery: how to make love stay. Many of the important answers, it turns out, can be found in contemplation of a pack of Camel cigarettes.

The way Robbins works the Camel package into his comic theme is innovative far. He is far less successful commanding any deeper response. Ironically, Robbins tends to perpetuate the kind of detachment he derides. He will extol the marvels of romance and the human spirit, yet, in his hip, nothing-too-serious style, he refuses to make even a minimal commitment to his characters. It is neither the dry crackle of satirical wit nor the bits of inspiration that one hears it is the giggling of cartoon mice.

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## Perils of a pre-historic Pauline

The Clan of the Cave Bear  
by Jean Auel  
(General Publishing \$15.95)

It is the most unlikely of ideas for a best seller: a blonde, upright, flowered five-year-old girl named Ayla is orphaned by an earthquake near an elemental earth near the Black Sea 35,000 years ago. Starving, death is her friend, and reluctantly, tolerance by a primitive clan of hunters, Neanderthals men and women. The adoption is reluctant because she is not of the Clan of the Cave Bear, but from the rival race from the north, the Cro-Magnons. It is even more unlikely that American first-level Jean Auel could convince others of the idea's potential, publishing *The Clan of the Cave Bear* as the first in a six-book series called *Earth's Children*. But despite an anachronistic style that would have crushed a less audacious story, Auel has fashioned an historical romance with nuggets of anthropology and anthropology.

After joining the shuffling, grunting clan, Ayla enters a sort of Paleolithic *Perils of Posie*. The young girl, different at heart, tries to mold into her new world, to adopt the serious, traditional ways of women in her new family, only to be pushed into constant acts of rebellion by her own superior and innovative mind. She is unrelentingly sold to the clan. Unlike them she laughs and defies fate by rescuing clan children from inevitable death at the hands of the unforgiving season and animals. Worse, she defies the oldest of clan taboos and learns to use a spear to hunt, earning the sardonic enmity of the marauding Blood, her superior to the clan leadership, and the fascination of Magar, the deformed misbegotten who glimpses the death of his own race in her ability to adapt and change.

Auel has created a remarkable, speculative portrait of a prehistoric world, different from science fiction be-

Auel not dealing with the Flintstones



when she blossomed under the spiritual tutelage of Betty Friedan's books, competing on radio programs, joining Mensa, the society for high-achievers, and becoming the first female, dual manager at the sprawling Telecommunications Inc. headquarters in Portland. At 40, with her family almost grown up, she quit her job and began to write out, with pseudonym, the research for a novel based on the theoretical overlap of Cro-Magnon and Neanderthals.

Months of voracious reading in anthropology, ethnology, anatomy and archeology—and English composition texts—produced an unmanageable manuscript. The hypocaust became the outline

core of the essential bones of human experience faced there. The documentary effect is achieved by sprinkled passages of Dick-and-Jane-as-apologues on topics such as herbs, fire, transportation or toolmaking. As a narrative technique it's not new. Arthur Hailey has made fortune serving up thinly veiled construction manuals to sports or car fascinations. Auel's pedagogy is more successful because it illuminates a plausible if unorthodox ancestral world oddly comforting in its richness and diversity. Moreover, it will likely reward its sponsors financially, partially because of Auel's to the previously untapped age forecast of *The Three Winds* and *Shogun*, or of Dickens for that matter.

But its success will ultimately be due to the affecting character of Ayla, whose life story may stand the *Earth's Children* series together. A sort of Cro-Magnon Katharine Hepburn, she slowly endures unimpeachable beatings, a rape and ritual harassment at the hands of onlookers and inferior males before finally earning the love of The Woman Who Hunts. In Ayla, Auel has an engine both familiar and intriguing alien enough to drive her next five books. **Thomas Hagopian**

for the broadest, small Earth's Children

For all her flowing into the prehistoric past, Auel admits she is no anthropologist, only a storyteller. Still, she is clearly pleased to see the book reviewed by the same audiences she lived with day by day in the Portland library. "I did my homework," she says with a small flicker of pride. What she couldn't unearth from scholarship, she learned introducing controversial topics such as the ability of Neanderthals to communicate telepathically. "These people were not the Flintstones," she insists. Their lives were no idyllic rock.

Auel is genuinely enthusiastic about compiling the two new books, which will also be the prehistoric Ayla, based on the Cro-Magnon and also Neanderthal Europe before her eventual death in France. In the meantime, Ayla's creator will journey to France herself as part of her research to view the prehistoric Lascaux caves. "My God, what terrible ground, and you're leaving back from the future where she dies at her writing. And she has even touched it." In the meantime, the Auel household shows low signs of newfound wealth, aside from the purchase for \$400 of a computer, which she has been an item in the magazine for the past 10 years. Still, there are plans about to move to a larger house on the Oregon coast and in the driveway sits a new Volkswagen. Dashed with a golden Oregon license plate, emblazoned with one single appropriate word: Ayla. **T.B.**

## MACLEAN'S BEST-SELLER LIST

### FICION

1. *Firestarter*, King (7)
2. *Julian Time and Now*, Richter (7)
3. *The Russian Identity*, Ludlum (3)
4. *Edge of Angell*, Shaw (2)
5. *The Fifth Wave*, Collins (2)
6. *Leviathan* (3)
7. *Firestorm*, White, Pike (2)
8. *Solo*, Higgins (4)
9. *Fearful*, King (4)
10. *Princess Daisy*, Kravitz (2)
11. *State of the Union*, Morrell (2)

(1) Published week

### NONFICION

1. *The Tenth Muse*, Teller (1)
2. *The Invasion of Canada*, 10/12-10/13, Swartz (7)
3. *How to Invest Like Money and Profit From Inflation* (revised edition), Shellen (2)
4. *Catch Me If You Can*, Abagnath (3)
5. *Shelley*, Winters (4)
6. *The Neighbor's Wife*, Talar (2)
7. *James Hensley's Yachting*, Morrell (2)
8. *Face to Chance*, Friedman (3)
9. *The Best War*, Moore (2)
10. *Misquipping in Tumbled Time*, Swacker (12)



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McDonough (far left), Merry and Conrad Black, Wilson (right) money begins money

## Television

# Peeking in the boardrooms of the nation

The Canadian Establishment  
(CBC Sept. 27-Sept. 30)

**T**here is nothing more agenda in life," A.J.P. Taylor, the English historian, once wrote. "Then to make peace with the Establishment—and nothing more corrupting." Taylor, who seems to have set out toward the phrase "the Establishment," that summed up the widespread outsider's view. But what about the far less common insider's view? The great thing about the CBC series *The Canadian Establishment* is that it doesn't preach or flout but lets insights from across the country speak for themselves—which they do with amusing candor. Talking heads, normally one of the no-nos of television, here take on a new usefulness as a device, with results that prove eye-opening to the uninitiated and riveting to even the most cynical.

With a total production budget of more than \$1 million, the series, based on Peter C. Newman's 1975 book of the same title, is the most expensive one venture on recent times: a record that, because of recent budgetary straits, is likely to remain unchallenged for the next few years. In programic terms, the seven hour-long episodes run from the McLean brothers of New Brunswick

(fromen foods and most everything else) to Charles (Chuck) Woodward (of Woodward's department store) to B.C. Inevitably, though, the best deal with the inner workings of Montreal, Toronto and Calgary, not simply because these places are where the real deals and influence reside, but because these institutions, unlike the others, focus on actual power—power struggles, each with a beginning, a middle and a payoff.

The first episode, directed by Michael Gorman (in all, five directors were employed, including the brilliant Peter Perren), looks at how the battles have been passed (or matched) at Angus Corporation, the giant holding company that controls Massey-Ferguson and much of the known universe. The company was run up in 1940 by E.P. Taylor, who in time got superseded not by John Angus (Bob McDonough), the last example of the terrible high style Taylor later converted to sell his own portion to Paul Desmarais of Montreal's Power Corp., the well-provisioned "little guy from Sudbury" and master of the so-called reverse take-over.

But Taylor was thwarted, McDonough died and Conrad Black, now 30, ended up grabbing the whole school for himself, his lesser-gratified brother, Merry, and a few partners. The story

and the figures are familiar, but there's something about seeing it on film—overlapping in boardroom discussions, getting inside the living room—that causes one to revise one's memory and one's preconceived notions. Black is important, says host Patrick Watson, "not because of his wealth, nor even his position, but because he represents the transfer of power from one generation to the next." But watching the camera follow him around, one gets a different impression: the interesting fact about Black is not that he's half the age of many of his rivals but that he's at least twice as smart. Similarly, preachers are either confined or rewritten (according to taste) in the later story of how the Bay grabbed Simpson as he himself he took over by Kenneth Thomson, who beat out Giller, Weston and then fulfilled yet another of his late father, Roy's, ambitions. Or how Bob Blair (Alberta Gas Trunk Line) battled Canadian Arctic Gas (a consortium of dinosaurs and multimillionaires) for the arctic Alberta tale.

If the series has a theme, it's that the Canadian Establishment consists of a pitifully small number of actual proprietors, as well as a lot of mere managers who act like owners. And the nature of the beast is constantly, slowly changing, even while remaining mostly

the same. After the First World War, for instance, the old family rules gradually gave way to the fresh breed of corporate elite, who in turn may be yielding to the New Money types, represented by the speculative final program on Calgary. But the frightening fact (though sad to us, that is, comforting to them) is that, with the concentration being what it is, it's a sure almost impossible for a person to go about his or her business on any single day without somehow contributing a bit more money to such people. Mind you, this is what Canada is said 50 years ago about Montreal mogul Sir Herbert Holt, who controlled everything from the Royal Bank of Canada to Pampas Paper Corporation. The names, the faces, even the geography changes—only The Thing (as A.J.P. Taylor also called the Establishment) stays constant. Progress breeds lack of progress in a way that only metaphysicians understand.

Dwax Frieling

## A chapter in the world's worst text

PLAYING FOR TIME  
(CBC Sept. 30)

**T**he outcry accompanying the casting of Vanessa Redgrave as a Jew, on the grounds that she is sympathetic to the rub, is pretty, lacking in tolerance and, most sinful of all, stupid. Redgrave's performance as Paula Fennell in Arthur Miller's adaptation

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of *Poison*'s intense playing for *Time*, racks with the few protest efforts that have come out of television. Carly Tyson as Miss Jane Pittman, Billy Field as Sybil and Bette Davis in *Shoguns*, *A Mother and Daughter*. Looking like a great misused gasline, Rodriguez seems to have succumbed to her powers from the moment someone grip her hair with an iron rod, to the final frames as she sings the *Macondo* after her deliverance in a broken voice that cannot quite believe the sound of itself. She has portrayed a human being with an emotional abandon few of us could ever hope to master, and still she has been censured.

Despite its attenuated 2½ hours and the shadowiness of David Mann's direction, *Playa for Time* is worth watching for the tension Miller has caught in the concentration camp. At French anger, Penelope found herself in a special position—as part of a makeshift orchestra playing music for the Nazi bosses while outside thousands were marched to the ovens. As long as she played satisfactorily, they lived. Though less attractive than Lisa Vassiliou's *Seven Deaths*, the film is a similar story of survival at all costs in the camps you either lived or died—there was no middle ground. Miller's writing, as in his plays, occasionally reveals poetic heights (a caretaker's advice to Penelope, said in a ghostly whisper: "Live") and as often tumbles into the depths of banality. Miller does explore the guilt attendant on survival: the toll taken on others and on the best things a person has spent years nurturing in herself.

There's an interesting, affecting conflict set up between Penelope and the orchestra conductor, Alma (Anne Alexander), who still strives for artistic perfection in the midst of the horrors and who is in danger of giving a martyr heart. Another source of tension arises with a young girl (Melanie Lynskey) Penelope befriends, who tries too hard to survive by exchanging sexuality.

Yet in Miller's excesses of what has become the world's most terrible text, there are too many dramatic irresolutions, too many "big scenes," too many water-tight exercises, too many overtones such as Penelope singing *Over the Top* from *Madama Butterfly*. They subtract from what is essentially a cruel, moving tale. When Penelope returns to her fellow prisoners that a woman commandant (Shirley Knight) is human, they react in disgust that "a monster" shows something as common with them. That is why the Holocaust remains haunting in the world's consciousness: such human behavior can never be apprehended by the mind. It's as astounding as one human being not being allowed to portray another.

LAURENCE O'LOUGHLIN

## Films

# Home truths about a family in collapse

ORIGINAL PEOPLE  
Directed by Robert Redford

After upstaging American family collages, the son, Conrad (Tommy Hatten), feeling guilty about his brother's death in a sailing accident, attempts suicide. He has returned from an extended hospital stay. His father (Donald Sutherland) is a reasonable man whose weak nature makes more resources of strength. He is trying to cope with the death and the suicide attempt. Conrad's mother (Kirsty Tyler Moore) refuses to cope with either. Unable to give an accept affection, she looks to find a way to make the sense that is forever with her. *Ordinary People* offers more than a few home truths about a place where there are no straight answers. Without much plot and posed like a game of solitaire, the movie somehow finds the time Conrad spends turning himself out with the help of an older-tongued, frank but caring psychiatrist (Judd Hirsch). Their sessions, possibly funny at first and later just plain painful, lead to Conrad's discovery of all the anger bottled up inside him for years. The father



Sutherland, Moore swift in slow-mo scenes

ties a tourniquet around his own tendency to overthink under the rug, the mother, who has always thought of life as a perfect place setting for love, is horrified when confronted by her husband and son.

The revelation of *Ordinary People* for many will be Robert Redford's debut as a director. He has taken Alvin Sargent's

deely toned adaptation of Judith Guest's novel and charged it with conviction, with perhaps too much conviction in its belief in therapy. Except for some deceptively misadvised last's backs, it's a beautifully understated chamber piece with the right surreal

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# When the perception turns to pity, careers go sour

By Alan Fotheringham

If there is one thing that is fatal to a politician, it is pity. Once that great mass out there begins to feel sorry for poor old Albert Blom, it is goodbye Blom. Forget it. Poor old Joe Clark who is, as everyone pointed out, closer to poverty than to death, is currently going through the pity stage. Nice lad, well-meaning, but doomed to be a hypocrite of honesty—especially with those Tory voters due to be stepping around his heels at the coming February convention where his leadership will be confirmed. If there is anything Joe Clark does not need at this stage of his business career, it is an outpouring on his behalf from the top.

Ever helpful, columnist Jeffrey Simpson has given us more than we care to remember about Clark's detour with suicide in a tome entitled *Disasters of Power: The Conservative Catastrophe and the Defiant Resurgence*. One might as well call it *The Time the Kids Took Charge of the Deem Simpson*, who is a Ottawa-based columnist of the *Globe and Mail*. Simpson's refreshingly serious national newspaper, in no Freudian sense a stylist, but he lays down the details of disaster in such unadorned documentation that any Terry reading it can only get out and drown himself in the sanguine sea.

But there is that the Tories have become thoroughgoing professionals in their accustomed role. Opposition Out of power 28 of the past 45 years, they have become skilled at their weaknesses, shrewd in political maneuver, nervous of their own ability to govern, cowed by the Liberal mystique of power, honey-bummed with policies that "take in a bilingual quality through incessant repetition." They are not used to the discipline of power and, in their short career months in government, before being awakened by the Liberals in the Commons, did not develop it. They were sloppy, and

Alan Fotheringham is a columnist for Southern News.

they were sloppy, and they were sloppy.

It's painful stuff, all this evidence of the incompetence Clark attempted by a cabinet that was so overconfident it could not detect approaching doom. Incredibly, the only member of the Clark inner circle who knew the Tories would be defeated that fateful December night was legislative assistant Nancy Jensen, who told us underlining prime minister and his advisers that morning they simply didn't have the numbers. Just as sloppy is the fact that the Tories, in a



momentary position, had not conducted one public opinion poll since August. The shrewd Liberals, who conduct government-by-goldfish, knew by their careful polling that they could win an election based on Ontario's antipathy to the ill-kept pacifier tax. The Tories, who polled constantly while in opposition, conducted just one poll during seven months in power.

The most important polling advice of all, the Tories chose to ignore. Three months after their victory in 1979, polling director Alvin Gregg warned Clark in a memorandum that he had disturbing news. He determined, based on two years of research, that the Terry electoral position was weaker on May 28 as a consequence of leaving the government than it was on May 22 as a consequence of being in opposition. As Simpson says, "The discipline of power requires prudent compromises, especially for a party in a minority position with a fragile mandate—but Joe Clark and other ideas

in mind for his government."

The problem got down to much. Because Joe Clark knows that he is thought of as weak and indecisive, he overreacts. The intense invective on Jerusalem and the poorly stammered on Petro-Canada curse about because Clark—unlike a more confident man—could not select a mistake and drop a policy until it was too late. A Calgary Herald poll showed that even in that climate, 61 per cent of residents favored keeping Petros. The Canadian Chamber of Commerce advised leaving it alone. But Joe Clark pressed on with his mounting, theory Jack Horner had questioned his minister Press on John Crosbie came to him with the suggestion that the 18-cent excise tax be phased in through three six-cent increases. No, press on.

Simpson is good at some of the advisers around Clark who contributed to much of his downfall. The overly competitive chief of staff, Bill Neville, who "would want his nose to hunt for an occasion now when they were leading to some extent on the ground 1980 campaign." "Like a lost puppy, perplexed and sad," rejoined by the exiles "as a cross between Savonarola and Harold Stassen."

The fatal Clark assumption was that time was his government's ally—rather than its foe. He based his belief on Dieffenbacher's brief 1957 minority government was that time was a friend at all. That 1958 landslide—forgetting that the dramatic David had spent 25 of an early 60 days in office, so Simpson says, he knew a great deal about politics, a little about social policy, but next to nothing of substance about economics, international relations and defence, and cultural policy. He is not really a politician. He is a political operator.



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